

future point sources of pollution. EPA has interpreted this regulation to mean that each point source must be given an individual wasteload allocation when it is feasible to calculate such a wasteload allocation. EPA believes that states may find it infeasible to calculate individual wasteload allocations for all point sources covered by a specific general permit. In that case, the TMDL would establish individual wasteload allocations for dischargers subject to individual permits, whereas dischargers subject to a general permit would be accounted for in the aggregate under a single wasteload allocation specific to the general permit under which they are authorized to discharge.

*Comment g:* Lift the new source/new discharger restriction if there is not a storm water component of the approved TMDL.

*Response g:* EPA, in Sections 1.2.3.8.1 and 1.2.3.8.2, was merely conditioning a discharger's eligibility for coverage under the MSGP upon meeting certain existing conditions and requirements in EPA's NPDES regulations which apply in all applicable circumstances involving both individual and general permits. In doing so, EPA intended to merely restate those existing conditions and requirements as eligibility requirements under the MSGP. Specifically, EPA's intention in section 1.2.3.8.1 was to condition a new discharger's eligibility for coverage under the MSGP upon meeting the existing regulatory conditions under 40 CFR 122.4(i). A new discharger, therefore would not be eligible for coverage under the MSGP if its discharge would "cause or contribute to a violation of a water quality standard." As mentioned, this regulation is applicable to all new dischargers irrespective of the type of permit they are seeking coverage under; there is no language in this regulation that exempts new dischargers seeking coverage under a general permit. EPA, in section 1.2.3.8.1 of the MSGP, did not intend to create any confusion or change any existing interpretation of the current regulatory language referred to in that section. To avoid confusion EPA is therefore amending the language in section 1.2.3.8.1 to state that "you are not authorized to discharge if your discharge is prohibited under 40 CFR 122.4(i)."

#### *Section V.E Discharges Not Previously Covered by an Individual Permit*

*Comment:* One commenter requested clarification of the permit requirement at Part 1.2.3.3.2.3 to include any specific storm water BMPs from the old individual permit in the Storm Water

Pollution Prevention Plan when transferring from an individual permit to the MSGP. The commenter interpreted this condition to mean that only those specific storm water BMPs from the old individual permit (and areas associated with outfalls from the old permit) needed to be included in the Plan, and noted an apparent inconsistency on page 17021, Item F, of the preamble which states that the Plan must address the entire facility.

*Response:* When transferring from an individual permit to the MSGP, the requirement at Part 1.2.3.3.2.3 to include any specific storm water BMPs from the old individual permit in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan is in addition to and not in lieu of the basic requirements in Part 4. However, the BMPs brought over from the old individual permit may satisfy one or more of the "basic" Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan requirements under Part 4 and/or the sector-specific requirements under Part 6. There could be areas at a facility (e.g., employee parking lots) that do not need to be addressed under the permit (and SWPPP) unless the runoff from such areas commingles with storm water associated with industrial activity (or was previously permitted).

#### *Section VI.A Notification Requirements*

*Comment a:* The commenter supported the use of electronic filing of NOIs, but expressed concern that facilities without Internet access would be at a disadvantage.

*Response a:* It is not the intention of EPA to only accept electronic submittals. Electronic submittal is another alternative which, hopefully, will be available to the regulated community in the near future.

*Comment b:* The commenter does not support any changes to the NOI form, and expects any changes to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act.

*Response b:* Any changes to the NOI form that result in an increase in burden for the applicant must first be reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget. Part of this review includes compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act. Changes to the NOI form published in today's permit were limited to those that provide clarification in information, as well as those changes that reflect changes in the storm water permits issued by EPA. EPA has determined that these changes do not represent an increase in burden for completing the NOI form. As noted in Section 2.2, the more extensive changes listed in the March 30, 2000 proposal

need to complete their OMB review before they can be included in the NOI form.

*Comment c:* A commenter supported inclusion of the no exposure certification form as an addendum to the MSGP-2000.

*Response c:* EPA agrees that providing the form with the permit is a convenience for facilities qualifying for the no exposure exemption. The certification form is an addendum to the permit.

#### *Section VI.B Special Conditions*

*Comment a:* The Agency is shifting its responsibility regarding meeting minimum technology standards in NPDES permits to the discharger.

*Response a:* EPA expects that when a facility submits an NOI they are familiar with both the permit and their facility. They should be able to determine their eligibility. The permitting authority may concur with the facility's assessment, or not. EPA does not believe that it has shifted its responsibility on this matter.

*Comment b:* There was a request to clarify the requirements in the MSGP-2000 regarding co-located facilities.

*Response b:* A facility is considered co-located if there is a second industrial activity occurring which meets the definition of storm water discharge associated with industrial activity. For example, a facility operates an auto salvage yard and also has an area onsite for scrap recycling. The facility as a whole would meet the requirements for Sector M—Auto salvage. The area where scrap recycling occurs would meet the requirements for Sector N—Scrap Recycling. Any storm water discharges from the scrap recycling area needs to meet the requirements for both sectors. The second activity may or may not be related to the primary industrial activity. The determination as to whether something is co-located rests in the definition of storm water discharges associated with industrial activity. If a second activity exists at a facility which meets one of the categories in the definition, then the facility has co-located industrial activities.

#### *Section VI.C Common Pollution Prevention Plan Requirements*

*Comment a:* A commenter expressed concern about various interpretations and implementation of the storm water program, including incorporation of effluent limits, and stressed " \* \* \* It is imperative that the Agency maintains that SWPPP requirements be interpreted and implemented in a practicable and economically feasible manner."

*Response a:* EPA believes that proper implementation of storm water BMPs

will achieve compliance with water quality standards. EPA is responsible for implementation of the storm water program in eight states, various territories, including Puerto Rico and District of Columbia; and various Indian Country lands throughout the country. For the remaining 42 states, the state agency is responsible for program implementation. They have the authority to interpret and implement the program as appropriate for their state. It continues to be EPA's policy not to include effluent limitations in storm water permits. However, a state may choose to follow a different policy than EPA's.

*Comment b:* There is not a specific mention of catch basin inserts or fillers on the listing of BMPs.

*Response b:* In discussions concerning BMPs, EPA attempted to provide some examples of various types of BMPs. By no means is the listing intended to be all inclusive. EPA acknowledges that there are other BMPs, such as catch basin inserts or fillers, that were not mentioned in discussions but may be appropriate in various circumstances.

#### *Section VI.E Monitoring and Reporting Requirements*

*Comment a:* Monitoring results are an unreliable indicator of a discharge problem and they do not provide confirmation of a problem. Permittees cannot use results to support facility management.

*Response a:* EPA believes that since analytic monitoring has been performed by substantial numbers of permittees only during the fourth year of the 1995 MSGP (many facilities complying with monitoring requirements in the fourth year were covered under the earlier baseline general permit during the second monitoring year and, consequently, had no equivalent monitoring requirement), it is premature to make any final conclusions regarding the value of the Agency's acquisition of the monitoring data or to consider dropping the monitoring. In essence, the fourth-year monitoring data set EPA received represents the baseline of pollutant discharge information under the sector-specific industrial general storm water permit. Several rounds of monitoring significantly enhances the utility of the results for evaluating the effectiveness of management practices at the site as well as for the industry sector as a whole. EPA commits to using data from the 1995 and 2000 permits to evaluate the effectiveness of management practices on an industry sector basis and to evaluate the need for changes in monitoring protocols for the next permit.

EPA acknowledges that, considering the small number of samples required per monitoring year (four), and the vagaries of storm water discharges, it may be difficult to determine or confirm the existence of a discharge problem as a commenter claimed. When viewed as an indicator, analytic levels considerably above benchmark values can serve as a flag to the operator that his SWPPP needs to be reevaluated and that pollutant loads may need to be reduced. Conversely, analytic levels below or near benchmarks can confirm to the operator that his SWPPP is doing its intended job. EPA believes there is presently no alternative that provides stakeholders with an equivalent indicator of program effectiveness.

*Comment b:* Monitoring results are not necessarily an indicator of BMP effectiveness and EPA never justified that they are.

*Response b:* While not practicable for EPA to require an increase in monitoring, operators are encouraged to sample more frequently to improve the statistical validity of their results. Unless the proper data acquisition protocol for making a valid BMP effectiveness determination is rigorously followed, any other method used to assess BMP effectiveness would be qualitative, and therefore less reliable. The least subjective approach, and most beneficial to operators and stakeholders, EPA believes, remains a combination of visual and analytic monitoring, using analyte benchmark levels to target potential problems. Statistical uncertainties inherent in the monitoring results will necessitate both operators and EPA exercising best professional judgment in interpreting the results. When viewed as an indicator, analytic levels considerably above benchmark values can serve as a flag to the operator that his SWPPP needs to be reevaluated and that pollutant loads may need to be reduced. Conversely, analytic levels below or near benchmarks can confirm to the operator that his SWPPP is doing its intended job.

*Comment c:* Alternate test methods can be used for determining effectiveness of BMPs at a facility, and benchmarks will need modifying to account for variability in test methods.

*Response c:* A technically valid, deterministic investigation of BMP effectiveness would necessarily involve collecting discharge pollutant load data before and after the BMP. The constraints inherent in monitoring preclude requiring this kind of investigation. All other methods used to make an assessment of SWPPP/BMP effectiveness are qualitative. The least subjective approach, and most

beneficial to operators and stakeholders, EPA believes, is a combination of visual and analytic monitoring, using analyte benchmark levels (or "targets") as an indicator of potential problems.

Vagaries of storm discharges and statistical concerns will necessitate operators and EPA exercising best professional judgment in interpreting the results of any monitoring. When viewed as an indicator, analytic levels considerably above benchmark values can serve as a flag to the operator that his SWPPP needs to be reevaluated and that pollutant loads may need to be reduced. Conversely, analytic levels below or near benchmarks can confirm to the operator that his SWPPP is doing its intended job.

*Comment d:* (a) The presumption of an impact on water quality standards by storm water is inappropriate given the episodic nature of storms. (b) EPA recognizes that during a storm, water quality standards will not always be met, so EPA shouldn't rely on water quality standards at a discharge point to determine if a facility is in compliance. (c) Monitoring has marginal value in assessing and protecting water quality.

*Response d:* (a) It is true that many impacts of storm water are short-term and that many pollutants are not really toxic or bioaccumulative. A short term water quality standard violation is not necessarily going to persist long enough to be toxic. (b) In the absence of establishing discharge pollutant loads that correlate directly to a receiving water, as would be done for an individual permit, EPA settled on benchmark levels which would, under nearly all scenarios, be protective of water quality standards. Recognizing the shortcomings of these generic pollutant levels, EPA only intends for them to be used as indicators of possible problems and as a flag to reevaluate the SWPPP—not as a trigger to begin mandatory SWPPP or operational revisions unless, after employing BPJ, the operator deems such revisions are necessary. (c) While end-of-pipe/end-of-property analytic monitoring for storm water may not reflect potential impacts to water quality, EPA does not intend to use the data for that purpose.

*Comment e:* EPA needs to reevaluate the validity of benchmark values.

*Response e:* Universal benchmark levels cannot be established; the next best thing would be storm water pollutant loadings vis-a-vis water segment-specific TMDLs. But when used as a target or indicator, without requiring specific corrective actions beyond using BPJ to reassess present conditions and make any changes deemed necessary, the present

benchmarks are adequate. In specific situations operators may reasonably conclude, after analyzing monitoring results above benchmarks, their present SWPPPs/BMPs are adequately protective of water quality, or that other conditions such as discharging to low-quality, ephemeral streams may obviate the need for SWPPP/BMP revisions.

*Comment f:* Monitoring diverts resources from more effective implementation of SWPPPs. EPA should focus on pollution prevention, instead.

*Response f:* In developing the monitoring requirements, *i.e.*, pollutants of concern, monitoring waivers, etc., along with providing sampling and monitoring guidances, EPA endeavored to make the financial burden as minimal as possible. Four quarterly samples is a minimal data set for evaluating the effectiveness of SWPPPs. Those least able to afford expansive monitoring programs, *i.e.*, small businesses, likely have few outfalls to begin with. EPA believes that if monitoring is required at a facility, it should be planned for and budgeted as a cost of doing business.

*Comment g:* Permittees fear benchmark limits would be viewed as effluent limitations.

*Response g:* EPA agrees that benchmark limits are not effluent limitations and should not be used, in and of themselves, as the basis for issuing an enforcement violation.

*Comment h:* Storm water discharge variability can be caused by atmospheric/dry deposition, run on and fate in transport; facilities with structural leachate are at a disadvantage vis-a-vis those without the problem.

*Response h:* EPA acknowledges the potential for adding pollutants to a facility's discharges from external or structural sources. A permittee is, nonetheless, still legally responsible for the quality of all discharges from his/her site—but not from pollutants that may be introduced outside the boundaries of his/her property or the areas where his/hers structures, industrial activities or materials are located. Anything that increases the pollutant load in the runoff prior to leaving the site, whether originating from air deposition, run-on from nearby sites, or leachate from on-site structures, remains the responsibility of the permittee. This was affirmed in the ruling by the Environmental Appeals Board against the General Motors Corp. CPC-Pontiac Fiero Plant in December 1997.

*Comment i:* Allow pollutant credits for background sources of pollution.

*Response i:* Pollutant credits for background sources of pollution is unfeasible for storm water. Either EPA or the permittee would have to

determine the pollutant loads of both the run-on and runoff to calculate pollutant credits. Resources are insufficient to implement this practice.

*Comment j:* Differences in monitoring results may result from changes in business conditions; changes in personnel doing monitoring can make observations/discharge examinations unreliable.

*Response j:* EPA published guidance on both monitoring and sampling procedures (available from EPA's Office of Water Resource Center) to standardize data collection practices.

*Comment k:* The same person cannot always do monitoring. Having to rely on different people is bad for consistency in recording observations and making discharge examinations.

*Response k:* EPA requires that personnel implementing the SWPPP be provided training as an element of the SWPPP. This training must cover program elements to ensure the quality and validity of all information collected.

*Comment l:* Sampling can be dangerous.

*Response l:* EPA provides waivers and options such that extreme weather or perilous conditions are accounted for.

*Comment m:* Determining whether a storm qualifies to be monitored is difficult.

*Response m:* EPA has always defined what constitutes a storm event worthy of monitoring. Modern weather forecasting is making it easier to anticipate and plan for qualifying storms.

*Comment n:* Monitoring in remote west or arid/semi-arid areas is difficult and burdensome.

*Response n:* EPA has always had accommodations and waivers for lack of qualifying storm events. See EPA Response o below.

*Comment o:* EPA should reduce analytic monitoring and visual monitoring based on average rainfall (similar to Phase II regulations).

*Response o:* EPA already allows permittees to skip monitoring in any quarter in which no qualifying storm events occur.

*Comment p:* Some discharges (in the west) occur only infrequently and sometimes only to isolated, ephemeral streams (which may have no indigenous biota).

*Response p:* Ephemeral streams may still eventually flow into permanent waters of the U.S.; hence, protective measures may still be needed to protect water quality. If there are truly no water quality standards established for an ephemeral stream and the outflow does not feed another water body, then it's likely there would not be a "point

source discharge" and no permit would be required. Only those point source discharges to waters of the U.S. need to be included in a SWPPP.

*Comment q:* Continuation of monitoring is not justified, especially for mining sectors.

*Response q:* EPA believes that since analytic monitoring has been performed by substantial numbers of permittees only during the fourth year of the 1995 MSGP (many facilities complying with monitoring requirements in the fourth year were covered under the earlier baseline general permit during the second monitoring year and, consequently, had no equivalent monitoring requirement), it is premature to make any final conclusions regarding the value of the Agency's acquisition of the monitoring data or to consider dropping the monitoring. In essence, the fourth-year monitoring data set EPA received represents the baseline of pollutant discharge information under the sector-specific industrial general storm water permit. Several rounds of monitoring significantly enhance the utility of the results for evaluating the effectiveness of management practices at the site as well as for the industry sector as a whole. EPA commits to using data from the 1995 and 2000 permits to evaluate the effectiveness of management practices on an industry sector basis and to evaluate the need for changes in monitoring protocols for the next permit.

EPA acknowledges that, considering the small number of samples required per monitoring year (four), and the vagaries of storm water discharges, it may be difficult to determine or confirm the existence of a discharge problem as a commenter claimed. When viewed as an indicator, analytic levels considerably above benchmark values can serve as a flag to the operator that his SWPPP needs to be reevaluated and that pollutant loads may need to be reduced. Conversely, analytic levels below or near benchmarks can confirm to the operator that his SWPPP is doing its intended job. EPA believes there is presently no alternative that provides stakeholders with an equivalent indicator of program effectiveness.

*Comment r:* EPA has not provided guidance on monitoring snow melt events.

*Response r:* EPA does not have any specific guidance on this matter at the present time. Guidance may be developed in the future. In the interim, however, EPA believes that facilities should be able to obtain reasonably representative samples using their best judgment. Two important points must be considered to ensure the snow melt

sample is representative: (1) The melted runoff must come in contact with any pollutants of concern present and not be overly "contaminated" with concentrated surficial deposits of hydrocarbons, dirt, salt, etc., and (2) the melted runoff must have characteristics that approximate those of a monitoring-rain storm (0.1 inch runoff volume, sampled within the first 1/2 up to 1 hour).

*Comment s:* (a) In addition to monitoring results, EPA should also require submission of a description of storm water controls being implemented. (b) EPA should require facilities to monitor for pollutants similar to what would be done under an individual permit (to ensure BMPs are being implemented). (c) Monitoring will aid the permittee, permitting authority and the public in understanding the sources and toxicity of storm water at a site.

*Response s:* (a) EPA already requires that all BMPs and other controls be described in the SWPPP, including inspections, maintenance, etc. Any BMP changes or additions must be added to an updated SWPPP, so EPA will not require this information be formally submitted. If EPA needs to inspect a facility or determine an enforcement issue, the facility's SWPPP will be reviewed for BMP information. (b) Customizing a facility's monitoring requirements is tantamount to writing an individual permit for the facility, which would require the same application package as for an individual permit. This is an option for those facilities where discharges or receiving waters are a concern but, otherwise, EPA believes the requirements of the present general permit with the identified pollutants of concern is sufficient for a large majority of facilities. (c) EPA agrees that monitoring can be used as an indicator of potential problems or toxicity concerns.

*Comment t:* Submit Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) along with NOIs to prove compliance. If no DMRs were submitted under the current MSGP, require quarterly monitoring for all five years of MSGP-2000.

*Response t:* DMR and NOI submission deadlines have not coincided in the past and, from a regulatory perspective, it is not feasible to link them. Past instances of non-compliance are an enforcement issue with established penalties in the CFRs, but these instances do not automatically preclude future permit coverage nor can EPA include separate "penalties" such as 5-year monitoring in the permit for them.

*Comment u:* Analytic monitoring may be good for general info, which may be

of use to the facility and regulatory agency, but it should not be required under the permit. Only visual monitoring should be required. One commenter indicated that analytic monitoring may be good for watershed-wide indications of general trends.

*Response u:* EPA believes that since analytic monitoring has been performed by substantial numbers of permittees only during the fourth year of the 1995 MSGP (many facilities complying with monitoring requirements in the fourth year were covered under the earlier baseline general permit during the second monitoring year and, consequently, had no equivalent monitoring requirement), it is premature to make any final conclusions regarding the value of the Agency's acquisition of the monitoring data or to consider dropping the monitoring. In essence, the fourth-year monitoring data set EPA received represents the baseline of pollutant discharge information under the sector-specific industrial general storm water permit. Several rounds of monitoring significantly enhance the utility of the results for evaluating the effectiveness of management practices at the site as well as for the industry sector as a whole. EPA commits to using data from the 1995 and 2000 permits to evaluate the effectiveness of management practices on an industry sector basis and to evaluate the need for changes in monitoring protocols for the next permit.

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and will continue to be so. The least subjective approach, and most beneficial to operators and stakeholders, EPA believes, is a combination of visual and analytic monitoring, using analyte benchmark levels (or "targets") as an indicator of potential problems. Variability of storm discharges and statistical concerns will necessitate operators and EPA exercising best professional judgement in interpreting the results of any monitoring.

Monitoring in impaired water bodies would focus attention on the problem water bodies and possible pollutant sources. However, not all impaired water bodies and their impairments have been determined. The goal of EPA's storm water program is also to protect and maintain water quality, not just remediate impaired waters, so focusing on impaired waters only does not fulfill all the program's responsibilities.

*Comment v:* If monitoring results are below the benchmark, facilities should not be required to monitor unless there are major changes to the facility.

*Response v:* Several rounds of monitoring significantly enhances the utility of the results for evaluating the effectiveness of management practices at the site as well as for the industry sector as a whole. EPA is keeping the monitoring requirement for all specified sectors at least one more time to provide stakeholders with continued assurance that SWPPPs are being implemented, concerted efforts to protect water quality are ongoing, and a mechanism is in place to indicate potential problems. The previous second year monitoring waiver for facilities with pollutant levels below the benchmark level is being retained.

*Comment w:* Substantially identical outfalls reduces burden and is beneficial to SWPPP implementation.

*Response w:* Noted.

#### Visual Monitoring

*Comment x:* Numerous commenters supported dropping analytic monitoring from the MSGP-2000 in favor of just requiring quarterly visual monitoring. Commenters claimed visual monitoring is adequate to ensure compliance and environmental protection (especially coupled with training), and is least burdensome.

*Response x:* Quarterly visual monitoring of storm water discharges has always been a permit requirement, for many of the same reasons why commenters favor it, and will continue to be so. EPA will also be retaining analytic monitoring because we believe the best way to ensure SWPPP effectiveness and protection of water

quality is through a combination of visual and analytic monitoring. The reasons for not adopting visual monitoring only are explained further in the rationale for justifying quarterly analytic monitoring.

*Comment y:* Operators need flexibility to collect representative samples for visual monitoring.

*Response y:* EPA believes the same representative sample reduction provided for analytic monitoring is inappropriate for the quarterly visual monitoring. A visual examination of all discharges is the least that operators can do to ensure all discharges are clean and would provide greater confirmation to themselves and other stakeholders that the representative discharge sample reduction claimed for analytic monitoring is, in fact, justified.

*Comment z:* Support visual monitoring with use of field test kits, which are cheaper and easier than 40 CFR 136.

*Response z:* Field test kits have not yet been confirmed as being as reliable as currently required analytical methods. Therefore, EPA is not allowing the use of kits in place of currently required analytical methods at this time.

*Comment aa:* Make visual evaluations standard.

*Response aa:* EPA has standard protocols for storm water sampling (the storm water sampling guidance can be obtained from EPA's Office of Water Resource Center at 202-260-7786) and the permit describes the examination procedures, parameters to be examined, meaning of results, etc.

*Comment bb:* Visual monitoring should be reduced commensurately in arid climates.

*Response bb:* EPA already allows permittees to document in their monitoring records that no discharge occurred during a monitoring quarter.

#### Annual Reporting

*Comment cc:* One option suggested by commenters was for an annual report, possibly using a standardized form, to be submitted to EPA detailing the permittee's SWPPP highlights and revisions/additions, inspections, compliance evaluations, visual monitoring results, etc. One comment against this option stated that the volume of data submitted would be too great for the Agency to evaluate. Other opponents to this option indicated that the reports would not contain enough information to evaluate SWPPP effectiveness, ensure water quality protection, or provide the information necessary to make long-term management plans. Commenters in support of the annual report concept

held that it would provide a record of the permittee's commitment to storm water control, was better for evaluating SWPPP effectiveness, and would provide information to EPA to determine if sampling or a site inspection is needed.

*Response cc:* Information on SWPPP highlights and revisions/additions, inspections, compliance evaluations, visual monitoring results, etc. is already required to be documented in a facility's SWPPP, which, if deemed necessary, must be provided to EPA on demand. If no monitoring data were available, an annual report could be used to ensure that a facility is implementing its SWPPP. The reports could also be used to prioritize sites for inspection. However, EPA agrees that it would be very burdensome to review all the reports and very difficult to assess the effectiveness of a facility's SWPPP based on that review alone. The subjectivity inherent in annual reporting makes it an undesirable substitute for analytic monitoring. Documenting the kind of information in the annual report is already a SWPPP requirement and is, therefore, available to operators for assessing and improving their storm water programs. For these reasons, EPA will not require reports containing essentially the same information required in SWPPPs to be submitted in lieu of analytic monitoring.

#### Group Monitoring

*Comment dd:* Commenters also suggested group monitoring. In this option a consortium of like permittees would do sampling at one facility, possibly on a rotating basis. The sample results would represent all the facilities in the consortium. A variation of group monitoring is for the consortium to retain a consultant to do representative sampling and provide storm water program guidance and evaluations. Supporters of this concept said it may allow for comparisons of effectiveness of different SWPPP practices (e.g., sweeping vs. catchment basin for solids control). One commenter pointed out that the feasibility of the group concept is suspect due to the fact that individual facilities may have different topography, soil and other natural conditions.

*Response dd:* EPA believes that technically valid BMP comparisons could be done under this type of program. However, it would be difficult and very resource-intensive for EPA to establish criteria for group eligibility and then monitor to ensure that groups met these criteria.

#### Watershed Monitoring

*Comment ee:* Commenters suggested conducting watershed monitoring rather than monitoring at the facility. This option involves replacing the monitoring of discrete storm water discharges with ambient receiving water monitoring on a watershed basis.

*Response ee:* Watershed monitoring is invaluable to making real conclusions regarding storm water impacts of water quality, and will be employed in making total maximum daily load (TMDL) determinations. However, watershed monitoring cannot replace facility-specific storm water discharge monitoring to determine the loads contributed by the facilities and to evaluate the effectiveness of the SWPPP.

#### Monitoring Only in Impaired Waters

*Comment ff:* Several commenters supported requiring monitoring only in impaired water bodies and for pollutants that cause the impairment.

*Response ff:* Although this option would focus attention on the problem water bodies and possible pollutant sources, EPA and a commenter point out that not all impaired water bodies and their impairments have been determined. The goal of EPA's storm water program is also to protect and maintain water quality, not just remediate impaired waters, so focusing on impaired waters only does not fulfill all the program's responsibilities.

#### Section VII Cost Estimates for Common Permit Requirements

*Comment:* EPA incorrectly estimated costs associated with the original MSGP. The new permit imposes even more costs. EPA must better estimate these costs, especially for small businesses. EPA should conduct a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis as well as perform a Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) consultation.

*Response:* The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) generally requires an agency to prepare a regulatory flexibility analysis for any rule subject to notice and comment rulemaking requirements under the Administrative Procedure Act or any other statute. Under section 605(b) of the RFA, however, if the head of an agency certifies that a rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities, the statute does not require the agency to prepare a regulatory flexibility analysis.

The MSGP-2000 provides facilities the option of obtaining a general permit

rather than applying for individual permits; it does not extend coverage of the existing NPDES regulations. Therefore, the costs associated with obtaining a permit were already addressed when the NPDES regulations were issued. Furthermore, the MSGP-2000 is intended to reduce costs by providing a streamlined procedure for obtaining permit coverage. For these reasons, there was no requirement on EPA to conduct a separate analysis to support the MSGP-2000.

#### **X. Economic Impact (Executive Order 12866)**

Under Executive Order 12866 [58 FR 51735 (October 4, 1993)], the Agency must determine whether the regulatory action is "significant" and therefore subject to OMB review and the requirements of the Executive Order. The Order defines "significant regulatory action" as one that is likely to result in a rule that may have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities; create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency; materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in the Executive Order.

EPA has determined that the reissued MSGP is not a "significant regulatory action" under the terms of Executive Order 12866 and is therefore not subject to formal OMB review prior to proposal.

#### **XI. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act**

Section 201 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA), Public Law 104-4, generally requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their "regulatory actions" on State, local, and tribal governments and the private sector. UMRA uses the term "regulatory actions" to refer to regulations. (See, e.g., UMRA section 201, "Each agency shall \* \* \* assess the effects of Federal regulatory actions \* \* \* (other than to the extent that such regulations incorporate requirements specifically set forth in law)" (emphasis added)). UMRA section 102 defines "regulation" by reference to 2 U.S.C. 658 which in turn defines "regulation" and "rule" by reference to section 601(2) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA). That

section of the RFA defines "rule" as "any rule for which the agency publishes a notice of proposed rulemaking pursuant to section 553(b) of [the Administrative Procedure Act (APA)], or any other law \* \* \*"

As discussed in the RFA section of this notice, NPDES general permits are not "rules" under the APA and thus not subject to the APA requirement to publish a notice of proposed rulemaking. NPDES general permits are also not subject to such a requirement under the CWA. While EPA publishes a notice to solicit public comment on draft general permits, it does so pursuant to the CWA section 402(a) requirement to provide "an opportunity for a hearing." Thus, NPDES general permits are not "rules" for RFA or UMRA purposes.

EPA has determined that today's MSGP reissuance does not result in expenditures of \$100 million or more for State, local and Tribal governments, in the aggregate, or the private sector in any one year.

The Agency also believes that the final MSGP will not significantly nor uniquely affect small governments. For UMRA purposes, "small governments" is defined by reference to the definition of "small governmental jurisdiction" under the RFA. (See UMRA section 102(1), referencing 2 U.S.C. 658, which references section 601(5) of the RFA.) "Small governmental jurisdiction" means governments of cities, counties, towns, etc., with a population of less than 50,000, unless the agency establishes an alternative definition.

Today's final MSGP also will not uniquely affect small governments because compliance with the final permit conditions affects small governments in the same manner as any other entities seeking coverage under the final permit.

#### **XII. Paperwork Reduction Act**

EPA has reviewed the requirements imposed on regulated facilities resulting from the final MSGP under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* The information collection requirements of the MSGP have already been approved in previous submissions made for the NPDES permit program under the provisions of the CWA.

#### **XIII. Regulatory Flexibility Act**

The Agency has determined that the final MSGP being published today is not subject to the Regulatory Flexibility Act ("RFA"), which generally requires an agency to conduct a regulatory flexibility analysis of any significant impact the rule will have on a

substantial number of small entities. By its terms, the RFA only applies to rules subject to notice-and-comment rulemaking requirements under the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA") or any other statute. Today's final MSGP is not subject to notice and comment requirements under the APA or any other statute because the APA defines "rules" in a manner that excludes permits. See APA section 551(4), (6), and (8).

APA section 553 does not require public notice and opportunity for comment for interpretative rules or general statements of policy. In addition to finalizing the new MSGP, today's notice repeats for the convenience of the reader an interpretation of existing regulations promulgated almost twenty years ago. The action would impose no new or additional requirements.

#### **Authorization to Discharge Under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System**

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act, as amended, (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*), operators of discharges associated with industrial activities that submit a complete Notice of Intent in accordance with Part 2.2 for a discharge that is located in an area specified in Part 1.1 and eligible for permit coverage under Part 1.2 are authorized to discharge pollutants to waters of the United States in accordance with the conditions and requirements set forth herein.

This permit becomes effective on October 30, 2000.

This permit and the authorization to discharge expire at midnight, October 30, 2005.

Signed and issued this 15th day of September, 2000.

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*Director, Office of Ecosystem Protection, Region 1.*

Signed and issued this 15th day of September, 2000.

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*Director, Division of Environmental Planning and Protection, Region 2.*

Signed and issued this 15th day of September, 2000.

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Signed and issued this 12th day of September, 2000.

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*Acting Deputy Division Director, Water Management Division, Region 4.*

Signed and issued this 27th day of September, 2000.

**Sam Becker,**

*Acting Director, Water Quality Protection Division, Region 6.*

Signed and issued this 2d day of October, 2000.

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*Acting Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Partnerships and Regulatory Assistance, Region 8.*

Signed and issued this 28th day of September, 2000.

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Signed and issued this 14th day of September, 2000.

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## **NPDES Multi-Sector General Permits for Storm Water Discharges Associated With Industrial Activities**

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**Note:** In the Spirit of the Agency’s “Readable Regulations” policy, this permit was written as much as practicable in a more reader-friendly, plain language format that should make it easier for people less familiar with traditional EPA permits and regulations to read and understand the permit requirements. Terms like “you” and “your” are used to refer to the party(ies) that are operators of a discharge, applicants, permittees, etc. Terms like “must” are used



instead of "shall." Phrasing such as "If you. \* \* \*" is used to identify conditions that may not apply to all permittees.

## 1. Coverage Under This Permit

### 1.1 Permit Area

The permit language is structured as if it were a single permit, with State, Indian country land or other area-specific conditions contained in Part 13.

Permit coverage is actually provided by legally separate and distinctly numbered permits, all of which are contained herein, and which cover each of the areas listed in Parts 1.1.1 through 1.1.10.

**Note:** EPA can only provide permit coverage for areas and classes of discharges not within the scope of a State's NPDES authorization. For discharges not described

in an area of coverage below, please contact the appropriate State NPDES permitting authority to obtain a permit.

### 1.1.1 EPA Region 1: CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT

The states of Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Vermont are the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within their respective states.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
CTR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Connecticut.
MAR05*### .....	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, except Indian country lands.
MAR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
MER05*### .....	State of Maine, except Indian country lands.
MER05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Maine.
NHR05*### .....	State of New Hampshire.
RIR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Rhode Island.
VTR05*##F .....	Federal Facilities in the State of Vermont.

### 1.1.2 EPA Region 2: NJ, NY, PR, VI

The state of New York is the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within that state. New Jersey and the Virgin Islands are the NPDES Permitting Authority for all discharges within their respective states.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
PRR05*### .....	The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

### 1.1.3 EPA REGION 3: DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV

The state of Delaware is the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within that state. Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, West Virginia are the NPDES Permitting Authority for all discharges within these states.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
DCR05*### .....	The District of Columbia.
DER05*##F .....	Federal Facilities in the State of Delaware.

### 1.1.4 EPA Region 4: AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN

The states of Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, and North Carolina are the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within their respective states. Georgia, Kentucky, South Carolina and Tennessee are the NPDES Permitting Authority for all discharges within their respective states.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
ALR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Alabama.
FLR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Florida.
MSR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Mississippi.
NCR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of North Carolina.

### 1.1.5 EPA Region 5: IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI

Coverage Not Available.

### 1.1.6 EPA Region 6: AR, LA, OK, TX, NM (Except See Region 9 for Navajo Lands, and See Region 8 for Ute Mountain Reservation Lands)

The states of Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas are the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within their respective states. Arkansas is the NPDES Permitting Authority for all discharges within that state.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
LAR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Louisiana.
NMR05*### .....	The State of New Mexico, except Indian country lands.
NMR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of New Mexico, except Navajo Reservation Lands that are covered under Arizona permit AZR05*##I listed in Part 1.1.9 and Ute Mountain Reservation Lands that are covered under Colorado permit COR05*##I listed in Part 1.1.8.
OKR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Oklahoma.
OKR05*##F .....	Facilities in the State of Oklahoma not under the jurisdiction of the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, except those on Indian country lands. EPA-jurisdiction facilities include SIC codes 1311, 1381, 1382, 1389 and 5171 and point source (but not non-point source) discharges associated with agricultural production, services, and silviculture.



Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
TXR05*##F .....	Facilities in the State of Texas not under the jurisdiction of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, except those on Indian country lands. EPA-jurisdiction facilities include SIC codes 1311, 1321, 1381, 1382, and 1389 (other than oil field service company "home base" facilities).
TXR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Texas.

#### 1.1.7 EPA Region 7: IA, KS, MO, NE

Coverage Not Available.

#### 1.1.8 EPA Region 8: CO, MT, ND, SD, WY, UT (Except See Region 9 for Goshute Reservation and Navajo Reservation Lands), the Ute Mountain Reservation in NM, and the Pine Ridge Reservation in NE

The states of Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming are the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within their respective states.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
COR05*##F .....	Federal Facilities in the State of Colorado, except those located on Indian country lands which are covered under Colorado permit COR05*##I below.
COR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Colorado, including the portion of the Ute Mountain Reservation located in New Mexico.
MTR05*##I .....	Reserved.
NDR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of North Dakota, including that portion of the Standing Rock Reservation located in South Dakota except Indian country within the former boundaries of the Lake Traverse Reservation that is covered under South Dakota permit SDR05*##I listed below.
SDR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of South Dakota, including the portion of the Pine Ridge Reservation located in Nebraska and the portion of Indian country within the former boundaries of the Lake Traverse Reservation located in North Dakota except for the Standing Rock Reservation that is covered under North Dakota permit NDR05*##I listed above.
UTR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Utah, except Goshute and Navajo Reservation lands that are covered under Arizona permit AZR05*##I (Goshute) listed in Part 1.1.9 and Nevada permit NVR05*##I (Navajo) listed in Part 1.1.9.
WYR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Wyoming.

#### 1.1.9 EPA Region 9: CA, HI, NV, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Goshute Reservation in UT and NV, the Navajo Reservation in UT, NM, and AZ, the Duck Valley Reservation in ID, and the Fort McDermitt Reservation in OR

The states of California and Nevada are the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within their respective states. Hawaii is the NPDES Permitting Authority for all discharges within that state.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
ASR05*### .....	The Island of American Samoa.
AZR05*### .....	The State of Arizona, except Indian country lands.
AZR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Arizona, including Navajo Reservation lands in New Mexico and Utah.
CAR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of California.
GUR05*### .....	The Island of Guam.
JAR05*### .....	Johnston Atoll.
MWR05*### .....	Midway Island and Wake Island.
NIR05*### .....	Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
NVR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Nevada, including the Duck Valley Reservation in Idaho, the Fort McDermitt Reservation in Oregon and the Goshute Reservation in Utah.

#### 1.1.10 Region 10: AK, ID (Except See Region 9 for Duck Valley Reservation Lands), OR (Except See Region 9 for Fort McDermitt Reservation), WA

The states of Oregon and Washington are the NPDES Permitting Authority for the majority of discharges within their respective states. The 1995 Multi-Sector General Permit was issued in the State of Alaska on February 9, 1996 (61 FR 5247) and the terms and conditions of the 1995 permit are effective for facilities in Alaska through February 9, 2001. EPA will reissue this permit for the State of Alaska at a future date.

Permit No.	Areas of coverage/where EPA is permitting authority
AKR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within Alaska.
IDR05*### .....	The State of Idaho, except Indian country lands.
IDR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Idaho, except Duck Valley Reservation lands which are covered under Nevada permit NVR05*##I listed in Part 1.1.9.
ORR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Oregon except Fort McDermitt Reservation lands that are covered under Nevada permit NVR05*##I listed in Part 1.1.9.
WAR05*##I .....	Indian country lands within the State of Washington.
WAR05*##F .....	Federal Facilities in the State of Washington, except those located on Indian country lands.

## 1.2 Eligibility

You must maintain permit eligibility to discharge under this permit. Any discharges that are not compliant with the eligibility conditions of this permit are not authorized by the permit and you must either apply for a separate permit to cover those ineligible discharges or take necessary steps to make the discharges eligible for coverage.

### 1.2.1 Facilities Covered

Your permit eligibility is limited to discharges from facilities in the “sectors” of industrial activity based on Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes and Industrial Activity Codes summarized in Table 1–1. References to “sectors” in this permit (*e.g.*, sector-specific monitoring requirements, *etc.*) refer to these sectors.

TABLE 1–1.—SECTORS OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY COVERED BY THIS PERMIT

SIC code or activity code <sup>1</sup>	Activity represented
<b>Sector A: Timber Products</b>	
2411 .....	Log Storage and Handling (Wet deck storage areas only authorized if no chemical additives are used in the spray water or applied to the logs).
2421 .....	General Sawmills and Planing Mills.
2426 .....	Hardwood Dimension and Flooring Mills.
2429 .....	Special Product Sawmills, Not Elsewhere Classified.
2431–2439 (except 2434) .....	Millwork, Veneer, Plywood, and Structural Wood (see Sector W).
2448, 2449 .....	Wood Containers.
2451, 2452 .....	Wood Buildings and Mobile Homes.
2491 .....	Wood Preserving.
2493 .....	Reconstituted Wood Products.
2499 .....	Wood Products, Not Elsewhere Classified.
<b>Sector B: Paper and Allied Products</b>	
2611 .....	Pulp Mills.
2621 .....	Paper Mills.
2631 .....	Paperboard Mills.
2652–2657 .....	Paperboard Containers and Boxes.
2671–2679 .....	Converted Paper and Paperboard Products, Except Containers and Boxes.
<b>Sector C: Chemical and Allied Products</b>	
2812–2819 .....	Industrial Inorganic Chemicals.
2821–2824 .....	Plastics Materials and Synthetic Resins, Synthetic Rubber, Cellulosic and Other Manmade Fibers Except Glass.
2833–2836 .....	Medicinal chemicals and botanical products; pharmaceutical preparations; in vitro and in vivo diagnostic substances; biological products, except diagnostic substances.
2841–2844 .....	Soaps, Detergents, and Cleaning Preparations; Perfumes, Cosmetics, and Other Toilet Preparations.
2851 .....	Paints, Varnishes, Lacquers, Enamels, and Allied Products.
2861–2869 .....	Industrial Organic Chemicals.
2873–2879 .....	Agricultural Chemicals.
2873 .....	Facilities that Make Fertilizer Solely from Leather Scraps and Leather Dust.
2891–2899 .....	Miscellaneous Chemical Products.
3952 (limited to list) .....	Inks and Paints, Including China Painting Enamels, India Ink, Drawing Ink, Platinum Paints for Burnt Wood or Leather Work, Paints for China Painting, Artist's Paints and Artist's Watercolors.
<b>Sector D: Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials and Lubricants</b>	
2951, 2952 .....	Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials.
2992, 2999 .....	Miscellaneous Products of Petroleum and Coal.
<b>Sector E: Glass Clay, Cement, Concrete, and Gypsum Products</b>	
3211 .....	Flat Glass.
3221, 3229 .....	Glass and Glassware, Pressed or Blown.
3231 .....	Glass Products Made of Purchased Glass.
3241 .....	Hydraulic Cement.
3251–3259 .....	Structural Clay Products.
3261–3269 .....	Pottery and Related Products.
3271–3275 .....	Concrete, Gypsum and Plaster Products.
3291–3299 .....	Abrasive, Asbestos, and Miscellaneous Nonmetallic Mineral Products.
<b>Sector F: Primary Metals</b>	
3312–3317 .....	Steel Works, Blast Furnaces, and Rolling and Finishing Mills.
3321–3325 .....	Iron and Steel Foundries.
3331–3339 .....	Primary Smelting and Refining of Nonferrous Metals.
3341 .....	Secondary Smelting and Refining of Nonferrous Metals.
3351–3357 .....	Rolling, Drawing, and Extruding of Nonferrous Metals.

TABLE 1-1.—SECTORS OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY COVERED BY THIS PERMIT—Continued

SIC code or activity code <sup>1</sup>	Activity represented
3363–3369 .....	Nonferrous Foundries (Castings).
3398, 3399 .....	Miscellaneous Primary Metal Products.
<b>Sector G: Metal Mining (Ore Mining and Dressing)</b>	
1011 .....	Iron Ores.
1021 .....	Copper Ores.
1031 .....	Lead and Zinc Ores.
1041, 1044 .....	Gold and Silver Ores.
1061 .....	Ferroalloy Ores, Except Vanadium.
1081 .....	Metal Mining Services.
1094, 1099 .....	Miscellaneous Metal Ores.
<b>Sector H: Coal Mines and Coal Mining Related Facilities</b>	
1221–1241 .....	Coal Mines and Coal Mining-Related Facilities.
<b>Sector I: Oil and Gas Extraction and Refining</b>	
1311 .....	Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas.
1321 .....	Natural Gas Liquids.
1381–1389 .....	Oil and Gas Field Services.
2911 .....	Petroleum Refineries.
<b>Sector J: Mineral Mining and Dressing</b>	
1411 .....	Dimension Stone.
1422–1429 .....	Crushed and Broken Stone, Including Rip Rap.
1442, 1446 .....	Sand and Gravel
1455, 1459 .....	Clay, Ceramic, and Refractory Materials.
1474–1479 .....	Chemical and Fertilizer Mineral Mining.
1481 .....	Nonmetallic Minerals Services, Except Fuels.
1499 .....	Miscellaneous Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuels.
<b>Sector K: Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, or Disposal Facilities</b>	
HZ .....	Hazardous Waste Treatment Storage or Disposal.
<b>Sector L: Landfills and Land Application Sites</b>	
LF .....	Landfills, Land Application Sites, and Open Dumps.
<b>Sector M: Automobile Salvage Yards</b>	
5015 .....	Automobile Salvage Yards.
<b>Sector N: Scrap Recycling Facilities</b>	
5093 .....	Scrap Recycling Facilities.
<b>Sector O: Steam Electric Generating Facilities</b>	
SE .....	Steam Electric Generating Facilities.
<b>Sector P: Land Transportation and Warehousing</b>	
4011, 4013 .....	Railroad Transportation.
4111–4173 .....	Local and Highway Passenger Transportation.
4212–4231 .....	Motor Freight Transportation and Warehousing.
4311 .....	United States Postal Service.
5171 .....	Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals.
<b>Sector Q: Water Transportation</b>	
4412–4499 .....	Water Transportation.
<b>Sector R: Ship and Boat Building or Repairing Yards</b>	
3731,3732 .....	Ship and Boat Building or Repairing Yards.
<b>Sector S: Air Transportation</b>	
4512–4581 .....	Air Transportation Facilities.

TABLE 1-1.—SECTORS OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY COVERED BY THIS PERMIT—Continued

SIC code or activity code <sup>1</sup>	Activity represented
<b>Sector T: Treatment Works</b>	
TW .....	Treatment Works.
<b>Sector U: Food and Kindred Products</b>	
2011–2015 .....	Meat Products.
2021–2026 .....	Dairy Products.
2032 .....	Canned, Frozen and Preserved Fruits, Vegetables and Food Specialties.
2041–2048 .....	Grain Mill Products.
2051–2053 .....	Bakery Products.
2061–2068 .....	Sugar and Confectionery Products.
2074–2079 .....	Fats and Oils.
2082–2087 .....	Beverages.
2091–2099 .....	Miscellaneous Food Preparations and Kindred Products.
2111–2141 .....	Tobacco Products.
<b>Sector V: Textile Mills, Apparel, and Other Fabric Product Manufacturing, Leather and Leather Products</b>	
2211–2299 .....	Textile Mill Products.
2311–2399 .....	Apparel and Other Finished Products Made From Fabrics and Similar Materials.
3131–3199 (except 3111) .....	Leather and Leather Products, except Leather Tanning and Finishing (see Sector Z).
<b>Sector W: Furniture and Fixtures</b>	
2434 .....	Wood Kitchen Cabinets.
2511–2599 .....	Furniture and Fixtures.
<b>Sector X: Printing and Publishing</b>	
2711–2796 .....	Printing, Publishing, and Allied Industries.
<b>Sector Y: Rubber, Miscellaneous Plastic Products, and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.</b>	
3011 .....	Tires and Inner Tubes.
3021 .....	Rubber and Plastics Footwear.
3052, 3053 .....	Gaskets, Packing, and Sealing Devices and Rubber and Plastics Hose and Belting.
3061, 3069 .....	Fabricated Rubber Products, Not Elsewhere Classified.
3081–3089 .....	Miscellaneous Plastics Products.
3931 .....	Musical Instruments.
3942–3949 .....	Dolls, Toys, Games and Sporting and Athletic Goods.
3951–3955 (except 3952 facilities as specified in Sector C).	Pens, Pencils, and Other Artists' Materials.
3961, 3965 .....	Costume Jewelry, Costume Novelties, Buttons, and Miscellaneous Notions, Except Precious Metal.
3991–3999 .....	Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
3411–3499 .....	Fabricated Metal Products, Except Machinery and Transportation Equipment.
3911–3915 .....	Jewelry, Silverware, and Plated Ware.
<b>Sector AB: Transportation Equipment, Industrial or Commercial Machinery</b>	
3511–3599 (except 3571–3579) .....	Industrial and Commercial Machinery (except Computer and Office Equipment) (see Sector AC).
3711–3799 (except 3731, 3732) .....	Transportation Equipment (except Ship and Boat Building and Repairing) (see Sector R).
<b>Sector AC: Electronic, Electrical, Photographic, and Optical Goods</b>	
3571–3579 .....	Computer and Office Equipment.
3612–3699 .....	Electronic, Electrical Equipment and Components, except Computer Equipment.
3812 .....	Measuring, Analyzing and Controlling Instrument; Photographic and Optical Goods.
<b>Sector AD: Non-Classified Facilities</b>	
N/A .....	Other storm water discharges designated by the Director as needing a permit (see 40 CFR 122.26(g)(1)(I)) or any facility discharging storm water associated with industrial activity not described by any of Sectors A–AC. <b>Note:</b> Facilities may not elect to be covered under Sector AD. Only the Director may assign a facility to Sector AD.

<sup>1</sup> A complete list of SIC codes (and conversions from the newer North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)) can be obtained from the Internet at <http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html> or in paper form from various locations in the document entitled "Handbook of Standard Industrial Classifications," Office of Management and Budget, 1987. Industrial activity codes are provided on the Multi-Sector General Permit Notice of Intent (NOI) application form (EPA Form Number 3510–6).

**1.2.2.1.1 Co-located Activities.** If you have co-located industrial activities on-site that are described in a sector(s) other than your primary sector, you must comply with all other applicable sector-specific conditions found in Part 6 for the co-located industrial activities. The extra sector-specific requirements are applied only to those areas of your facility where the extra-sector activities occur. An activity at a facility is not considered co-located if the activity, when considered separately, does not meet the description of a category of industrial activity covered by the storm water regulations, and identified by the MSGP-2000 SIC code list. For example, unless you are actually hauling substantial amounts of freight or materials with your own truck fleet or are providing a trucking service to outsiders, simple maintenance of vehicles used at your facility is unlikely to meet the SIC code group 42 description of a motor freight transportation facility. Even though Sector P may not apply, the runoff from your vehicle maintenance facility would likely still be considered storm water associated with industrial activity. As

such, your SWPPP must still address the runoff from the vehicle maintenance facility—although not necessarily with the same degree of detail as required by Sector P—but you would not be required to monitor as per Sector P.

If runoff from co-located activities commingles, you must monitor the discharge as per the requirements of all applicable sectors (regardless of the actual location of the discharge). If you comply with all applicable requirements from all applicable sections of Part 6 for the co-located industrial activities, the discharges from these co-located activities are authorized by this permit.

## 1.2.2 Discharges Covered

**1.2.2.1 Allowable Storm Water Discharges.** Subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, you are authorized to discharge pollutants in:

**1.2.2.1.1** Discharges of storm water runoff associated with industrial activities as defined in 40 CFR 122.26 (b)(14)(i–ix and xi) from the sectors of industry described in Table 1–1, and that are specifically identified by outfall or discharge location in the Storm Water

Pollution Prevention Plan (see Part 4.2.2.3.7);

**1.2.2.1.2** Non-storm water discharges as noted in Part 1.2.2.2 or otherwise specifically allowed by the permit;

**1.2.2.1.3** Discharges subject to an effluent guideline listed in Table 1–2 that also meet all other eligibility requirements of the permit. Interim coverage is also available for discharges subject to a new storm water effluent limitation guideline promulgated after the effective date of this permit. Discharges subject to a New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) effluent guideline must also meet the requirements of Part 1.2.4.;

**1.2.2.1.4** Discharges designated by the Director as needing a storm water permit under 40 CFR 122.26(a)(1)(v) or under 122.26(a)(9) and 122.26(g)(1)(i); and

**1.2.2.1.5** Discharges comprised of a discharge listed in Parts 1.2.2.1.1 to 1.2.2.1.4 above commingled with a discharge authorized by a different NPDES permit and/or a discharge that does not require NPDES permit authorization.

TABLE 1–2.—EFFLUENT GUIDELINES APPLICABLE TO DISCHARGES THAT MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR PERMIT COVERAGE

Effluent guideline	New source performance standards included in effluent guidelines?	Sectors with affected facilities
Runoff from material storage piles at cement manufacturing facilities [40 CFR Part 411 Subpart C (established February 23, 1977)].	Yes .....	E
Contaminated runoff from phosphate fertilizer manufacturing facilities [40 CFR Part 418 Subpart A (established April 8, 1974)].	Yes .....	C
Coal pile runoff at steam electric generating facilities [40 CFR Part 423 (established November 19, 1982)] .....	Yes .....	O
Discharges resulting from spray down or intentional wetting of logs at wet deck storage areas [40 CFR Part 429, Subpart I (established January 26, 1981)].	Yes .....	A
Mine dewatering discharges at crushed stone mines [40 CFR part 436, Subpart B] .....	No .....	J
Mine dewatering discharges at construction sand and gravel mines [40 CFR part 436, Subpart C] .....	No .....	J
Mine dewatering discharges at industrial sand mines [40 CFR part 436, Subpart D] .....	No .....	J
Runoff from asphalt emulsion facilities [40 CFR Part 443 Subpart A (established July 24, 1975)] .....	Yes .....	D
Runoff from landfills, [40 CFR Part 445, Subpart A and B (established February 2, 2000)] .....	Yes .....	K & L

**1.2.2.2 Allowable Non-Storm Water Discharges.** You are also authorized for the following non-storm water discharges, provided the non-storm water component of your discharge is in compliance with Part 4.4.2 (non-storm water discharges):

**1.2.2.2.1** Discharges from fire fighting activities;  
**1.2.2.2.2** Fire hydrant flushings;  
**1.2.2.2.3** Potable water including water line flushings;  
**1.2.2.2.4** Uncontaminated air conditioning or compressor condensate;  
**1.2.2.2.5** Irrigation drainage;  
**1.2.2.2.6** Landscape watering provided all pesticides, herbicides, and

fertilizer have been applied in accordance with manufacturer's instructions;

**1.2.2.2.7** Pavement wash waters where no detergents are used and no spills or leaks of toxic or hazardous materials have occurred (unless all spilled material has been removed);

**1.2.2.2.8** Routine external building wash down which does not use detergents;

**1.2.2.2.9** Uncontaminated ground water or spring water;

**1.2.2.2.10** Foundation or footing drains where flows are not contaminated with process materials such as solvents;

**1.2.2.2.11** Incidental windblown mist from cooling towers that collects on rooftops or adjacent portions of your facility, but NOT intentional discharges from the cooling tower (e.g., "piped" cooling tower blowdown or drains).

## 1.2.3 Limitations on Coverage

**1.2.3.1 Prohibition on Discharges Mixed with Non-Storm Water.** You are not authorized for discharges that are mixed with sources of non-storm water. This exclusion does not apply to discharges identified in Part 1.2.2.2, provided the discharges are in compliance with Part 4.4.2 (Storm

Water Pollution Prevention Plan requirements for authorized non-storm water discharges), and to any discharge explicitly authorized by the permit.

**1.2.3.3.2 Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity.** You are not authorized for storm water discharges associated with construction activity as defined in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(x) or 40 CFR 122.26(b)(15).

**1.2.3.3.3 Discharges Currently or Previously Covered by Another Permit.** You are not authorized for the following:

**1.2.3.3.3.1 Storm water discharges** associated with industrial activity that are currently covered under an individual permit or an alternative general permit.

**1.2.3.3.3.2 Discharges previously covered** by an individual permit or alternative general permit (except the 1992 "Baseline" or the 1995 Multi-Sector NPDES General Permits for Storm Water Discharges Associated With Industrial Activity) that has expired, or been terminated at the request of the permittee unless:

**1.2.3.3.3.2.1 The individual permit** did not contain numeric water quality-based limitations developed for the storm water component of the discharge; and

**1.2.3.3.3.2.2 The permittee includes** any specific BMPs for storm water required under the individual permit in the SWPPP required under Part 4 of this permit.

**1.2.3.3.3.3 Storm water discharges** associated with industrial activity from facilities where any NPDES permit has been or is in the process of being denied, terminated, or revoked by the Director (other than in a replacement permit issuance process). Upon request, the Director may waive this exclusion if operator of the facility has since passed to a different owner/operator and new circumstances at the facility justify a waiver.

**1.2.3.3.4 Discharges Subject to Effluent Limitations Guidelines.** You are not authorized for discharges subject to any effluent limitation guideline that is not included in Table 1–2. For discharges subject to a New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) effluent guideline identified in Table 1–2, you must comply with Part 1.2.4 prior to being eligible for permit coverage.

**1.2.3.3.5 Discharge Compliance with Water Quality Standards.** You are not authorized for storm water discharges that the Director determines will cause, or have reasonable potential to cause or contribute to, violations of water quality standards. Where such determinations have been made, the Director may notify

you that an individual permit application is necessary in accordance with Part 9.12. However, the Director may authorize your coverage under this permit after you have included appropriate controls and implementation procedures designed to bring your discharges into compliance with water quality standards in your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

**1.2.3.3.6 Endangered and Threatened Species or Critical Habitat Protection.** You are not authorized for discharges that do not avoid unacceptable effects on Federally listed endangered and threatened ("listed") species or designated critical habitat ("critical habitat").

**Caution:** Additional endangered and threatened species have been listed and critical habitat designated since the 1995 MSGP was issued. Even if you were previously covered by the 1995 MSGP, you must determine eligibility for this permit through the processes described below and in Addendum A. Where applicable, you may incorporate information from your previous endangered species analysis in your documentation of eligibility for this permit.

**1.2.3.6.1 Coverage under this permit** is available only if your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities are not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any species that are listed as endangered or threatened ("listed") under the ESA or result in the adverse modification or destruction of habitat that is designated or proposed to be designated as critical under the ESA ("critical habitat"). Submission of a signed NOI will be deemed to also constitute your certification of eligibility.

**1.2.3.6.2 "Discharge-related activities"** include: activities which cause, contribute to, or result in storm water point source pollutant discharges; and measures to control storm water discharges including the siting, construction and operation of best management practices (BMPs) to control, reduce or prevent storm water pollution.

**1.2.3.6.3 Determining Eligibility:** You must use the most recent Endangered and Threatened Species County-Species List available from EPA and the process in Addendum A (ESA Screening Process) to determine your eligibility *PRIOR* to submittal of your NOI. As of the effective date of this permit, the most current version of the List is located on the EPA Office of Water Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/esalst2.htm>. You must meet one or more of the criteria in 1.2.3.6.3.1 through 1.2.3.6.3.5 below for the entire term of coverage under the permit. You

must include a certification of eligibility and supporting documentation on the eligibility determination in your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

**1.2.3.6.3.1 Criteria A:** No endangered or threatened species or critical habitat are in proximity to your facility or the point where authorized discharges reach the receiving water; or

**1.2.3.6.3.2 Criteria B:** In the course of a separate federal action involving your facility (e.g., EPA processing request for an individual NPDES permit, issuance of a CWA § 404 wetlands dredge and fill permit, *etc.*), formal or informal consultation with the Fish and Wildlife Service and/or the National Marine Fisheries Service (the "Services") under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) has been concluded and that consultation:

(a) Addressed the effects of your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities on listed species and critical habitat and

(b) The consultation resulted in either a no jeopardy opinion or a written concurrence by the Service on a finding that your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities are not likely to adversely affect listed species or critical habitat; or

**1.2.3.6.3.3 Criteria C:** Your activities are authorized under section 10 of the ESA and that authorization addresses the effects of your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities on listed species and critical habitat; or

**1.2.3.6.3.4 Criteria D:** Using best judgement, you have evaluated the effects of your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities on listed endangered or threatened species and critical habitat and do not have reason to believe listed species or critical habitat would be adversely affected.

**1.2.3.6.3.5 Criteria E:** Your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities were already addressed in another operator's certification of eligibility under Part 1.2.3.6.3.1 through 1.2.3.6.3.4 which included your facility's activities. By certifying eligibility under this Part, you agree to comply with any measures or controls upon which the other operator's certification was based;

**1.2.3.6.4** The Director may require any permittee or applicant to provide documentation of the permittee or applicant's determination of eligibility for this permit using the procedures in Addendum A where EPA or the Fish

and Wildlife and/or National Marine Fisheries Services determine that there is a potential impact on endangered or threatened species or a critical habitat.

1.2.3.6.5 You are not authorized to discharge if the discharges or discharge-related activities cause a prohibited "take" of endangered or threatened species (as defined under section 3 of the Endangered Species Act and 50 CFR 17.3), unless such takes are authorized under sections 7 or 10 of the Endangered Species Act.

1.2.3.6.6 You are not authorized for any discharges where the discharges or discharge-related activities are likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any species that are listed as endangered or threatened under the ESA or result in the adverse modification or destruction of habitat that is designated or proposed to be designated as critical under the ESA.

1.2.3.6.7 The Endangered Species Act (ESA) provisions upon which part 1.2.3.6 is based do not apply to state-issued permits. Should administration of all or a portion of this permit be transfer to a State as a result of that State assuming the NPDES program pursuant to Clean Water Act § 402(b), Part 1.2.3.6 will not apply to any new NOIs submitted to the State after the State assumes administration of the permit (unless otherwise provided in the state program authorization agreement). Likewise, any other permit conditions based on Part 1.2.3.6 will no longer apply to new NOIs accepted by the NPDES-authorized state.

1.2.3.7 *Storm water Discharges and Storm Water Discharge-Related Activities with Unconsidered Adverse Effects on Historic Properties.*

1.2.3.7.1 *Determining Eligibility:* In order to be eligible for coverage under this permit, you must be in compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act. Your discharges may be authorized under this permit only if:

1.2.3.7.1.1 *Criteria A:* Your storm water discharges, allowable non-storm water discharges, and discharge-related activities do not affect a property that is listed or is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places as maintained by the Secretary of the Interior; or

1.2.3.7.1.2 *Criteria B:* You have obtained and are in compliance with a written agreement with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) that outlines all measures you will undertake to mitigate or prevent adverse effect to the historic property.

1.2.3.7.2 Addendum B of this permit provides guidance and references to

assist you with determining your permit eligibility concerning this provision.

1.2.3.8 *Discharges to Water Quality-Impaired or Water Quality-Limited Receiving Waters.*

1.2.3.8.1 You are not authorized to discharge if your discharge is prohibited under 40 CFR 122.4(i).

1.2.3.8.2 You are not authorized to discharge any pollutant into any water for which a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) has been either established or approved by the EPA unless your discharge is consistent with that TMDL.

1.2.3.9 *Storm Water Discharges Subject to Anti-degradation Water Quality Standards.* You are not authorized for discharges that do not comply with your State or Tribe's anti-degradation policy for water quality standards. State and Tribal anti-degradation policies can be obtained from the appropriate State or Tribal environmental office or their Internet sites.

## 1.2.4 Discharges Subject to New Source Performance Standards (NSPS)<sup>1 2</sup>

1.2.4.1 *Documentation of New Source Review.* If you have a discharge(s) subject to a NSPS effluent guideline, you must obtain and retain the following on site prior to the submittal of your Notice of Intent:

1.2.4.1.1 Documentation from EPA of "No Significant Impact" or

1.2.4.1.2 A completed Environmental Impact Statement in accordance with an environmental review conducted by EPA pursuant to 40 CFR 6.102(a)(6).

1.2.4.2 *Initiating a New Source Review.* If the Agency's decision has not been obtained, you may use the format and procedures specified in Addendum C to submit information to EPA to initiate the process of the environmental review.

To maintain eligibility, you must implement any mitigation required of the facility as a result of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process. Failure to implement mitigation measures upon which the Agency's NEPA finding is based is

<sup>1</sup> NSPS apply only to discharges from those facilities or installations that were constructed after the promulgation of NSPS. For example, storm water discharges from areas where the production of asphalt paving and roofing emulsions occurs are subject to NSPS only if the asphalt emulsion facility was constructed after July 24, 1975.

<sup>2</sup> The provisions specified in Part 1.2.2.3 and Part 1.2.4 related to documenting New Source reviews are requirements of Federal programs under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and will not apply to such facilities in the event that authority for the NPDES program has been assumed by the State/Tribe agency and administration of this permit has been transferred to the State/Tribe.

grounds for termination of permit coverage.

1.2.4.3 *NEPA Requirements after State Assumption of this Permit.* The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) provisions upon which part 1.2.4 is based do not apply to state-issued permits. Should administration of all or a portion of this permit be transfer to a State as a result of that State assuming the NPDES program pursuant to Clean Water Act § 402(b), Part 1.2.4 will not apply to any new NOIs submitted to the State after the State assumes administration of the permit. Likewise, any other permit conditions based on Part 1.2.4 will no longer apply to new NOIs accepted by the NPDES-authorized state.

## 1.3 How To Obtain Authorization Under This Permit

### 1.3.1 Basic Eligibility

You may be authorized under this permit only if you have a discharge of storm water associated with industrial activity from your facility. In order to obtain authorization under this permit, you must:

1.3.1.1 Meet the Part 1.2 eligibility requirements; and

1.3.1.2 Develop and implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) (see definition in Part 12) according to the requirements in Part 4 of this permit.

1.3.1.3 Submit a complete Notice of Intent (NOI) in accordance with the requirements of Part 2 of this permit. Any new operator at a facility, including those who replace an operator who has previously obtained permit coverage, must submit an NOI to be covered for discharges for which they are the operator.

### 1.3.2 Effective Date of Permit Coverage

Unless notified by the Director to the contrary, if you submit a correctly completed NOI in accordance with the requirements of this permit, you are authorized to discharge under the terms and conditions of this permit two (2) days after the date the NOI is postmarked (but in no event, earlier than the effective date of the permit). The Director may deny coverage under this permit and require submission of an application for an individual NPDES permit based on a review of your NOI or other information (see Part 9.12). Authorization to discharge is not automatically granted two days after the NOI is mailed if your NOI is materially incomplete (*e.g.*, critical information left off, NOI unsigned, *etc.*) or if your discharge(s) is not eligible for coverage by the permit.



## 1.4 Terminating Coverage

### 1.4.1 Submitting a Notice of Termination

If you wish to terminate coverage under this permit, you must submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) in accordance with Part 11 of this permit. You must continue to comply with this permit until you submit an NOT. Your authorization to discharge under the permit terminates at midnight of the day the NOT is signed.

### 1.4.2 When to Submit an NOT

You must submit an NOT within thirty (30) days after one or more of the following conditions have been met:

1.4.2.1 A new owner/operator has assumed responsibility for the facility

1.4.2.2 You have ceased operations at the facility and there no longer are discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity from the facility and you have already implemented necessary sediment and erosion controls as required by Part 4.2.7.2.2.1

### 1.4.3 Discharges After the NOT Is Submitted

Enforcement actions may be taken if you submit an NOT without meeting one or more of these conditions, unless you have obtained coverage under an alternate permit or have satisfied the requirements of Part 1.5.

## 1.5 Conditional Exclusion for No Exposure

If you are covered by this permit, but later are able to file a "no exposure" certification to be excluded from permitting under 40 CFR 122.26(g), you are no longer authorized by nor required to comply with this permit. If you are no longer required to have permit coverage due to a "no exposure" exclusion, you are not required to submit a Notice of Termination.

## 2. Notice of Intent Requirements

### 2.1 Notice of Intent (NOI) Deadlines

Your NOI must be submitted in accordance with the deadlines in Table 2-1. You must meet all applicable eligibility conditions of Part 1.2 before you submit your NOI.

TABLE 2.-1—DEADLINES FOR NOI SUBMITTAL

Category	Deadline
1. Existing discharges covered under the 1995 MSGP (see also Part 2.1.2—Interim Coverage).	December 29, 2000.

TABLE 2.-1—DEADLINES FOR NOI SUBMITTAL—Continued

Category	Deadline
2. New discharges ....	Two (2) days prior to commencing operation of the facility with discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity.
3. New owner/operator of existing discharges.	Two (2) days prior to taking operational control of the facility.
4. Continued coverage when the permit expires in 2005.	See Part 9.2

Only one NOI need be submitted to cover all of your activities at the facility (e.g., you do not need to submit a separate NOI for each separate type of industrial activity located at a facility or industrial complex, provided your SWPPP covers each area for which you are an operator).

### 2.1.1 Submitting a Late NOI

You are not prohibited from submitting an NOI after the dates provided in Table 2-1. If a late NOI is submitted, your authorization is only for discharges that occur after permit coverage is granted. The Agency reserves the right to take appropriate enforcement actions for any unpermitted discharges.

### 2.1.2 Interim Permit Coverage for 1995 MSGP Permittees

If you had coverage for your facility under the 1995 MSGP, you may be eligible for continued coverage under this permit on an interim basis.

2.1.2.1 *Discharges Authorized Under the 1995 MSGP.* If permit coverage for your facility under the 1995 MSGP was effective as of the date the 1995 MSGP expired (or the date this permit replaced the 1995 MSGP if earlier), your authorization is automatically continued into this replacement permit on an interim basis for up to ninety (90) days from the effective date of the permit. Interim coverage will terminate earlier than the 90 days when an NOI has been submitted and coverage either granted or denied; or after submittal of an NOT.

2.1.2.2 *Discharges Authorized Under the 1995 MSGP, But Not Clearly Eligible for Coverage Under This Permit.* If you were previously covered by the 1995 MSGP, but cannot meet (or cannot immediately determine if you meet) the eligibility requirements of this permit, you may nonetheless be authorized

under this permit for a period not to exceed 270 days from the date this permit is published in the **Federal Register**, provided you submit an application for an alternative permit within 90 days from the permit publication date.

2.1.2.3 *Interim Coverage Permit Requirements.* While you are operating under interim coverage status, you must:

2.1.2.3.1 Submit a complete NOI (see Part 2.2) by the deadlines listed in Table 2-1 or Part 2.1.2.2 above.

2.1.2.3.2 Comply with the terms and conditions of the 1995 MSGP.

2.1.2.3.3 Update your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to comply with the requirements of this permit within 90 days after the effective date of this permit.

## 2.2 Contents of Notice of Intent (NOI)

Your NOI for coverage under this permit must include the following information:

### 2.2.1 Permit Selection

2.2.1.1 If you were covered under the previous MSGP, provide the permit number assigned to your facility.

### 2.2.2 Owner/Operator Information

2.2.2.1 The name, address, and telephone number of the operator (e.g., your company, etc.) filing the NOI for permit coverage;

### 2.2.3 Facility Information

2.2.3.1 The name (or other identifier), address, county, and latitude/longitude of the facility for which the NOI is submitted;

2.2.3.2 An indication of whether you are a Federal, State, Tribal, private, or other public entity;

2.2.3.3 An indication of whether the facility is located on Indian country lands;

2.2.3.4 Certification that a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) meeting the requirements of Part 4 has been developed (including attaching a copy of this permit to the plan);

2.2.3.5 The name of the receiving water(s);

2.2.3.6 The name of the municipal operator if the discharge is through a municipal separate storm sewer system, unless you are the owner/operator of that municipal separate storm sewer system;

2.2.3.7 Identification of applicable sector(s) in this permit, as designated in Table 1-1, that cover the discharges associated with industrial activity you wish to cover under this permit;

2.2.3.8 Up to four 4-digit Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes or

the 2-letter Activity Codes for hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal activities (HZ); land/disposal facilities that receive or have received any industrial waste (LF); steam electric power generating facilities (SE); or treatment works treating domestic sewage (TW) that best represent the principal products produced or services rendered by your facility and major co-located activities;

#### 2.2.4 Eligibility Screening

2.2.4.1 Based on the instructions in Addendum A, whether any listed or proposed threatened or endangered species, or designated critical habitat, are in proximity to the storm water discharges or storm water discharge-related activities to be covered by this permit;

2.2.4.2 Whether any historic property listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places is located on the facility or in proximity to the discharge;

2.2.4.3 A signed and dated certification, signed by a authorized representative of your facility and maintained with your SWPPP, as detailed in Part 9.7 that certifies the following:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have read and understand the Part 1.2 eligibility requirements for coverage under the multi-sector storm water general permit including those requirements relating to the protection of endangered or threatened species or critical habitat. To the best of my knowledge, the storm water and allowable non-storm discharges authorized by this permit (and discharged related activities), pose no jeopardy to endangered or threatened species or critical habitat, or are otherwise eligible for coverage under Part 1.2.3.6 of the permit. To the best of my knowledge, I further certify that such discharges and discharge related activities do not have an effect on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register or Historic Places under the National Historic Preservation Act, or are otherwise eligible for coverage under Part 1.2.3.7 of the permit. I understand that continued coverage under the multi-sector storm water general permit is contingent upon maintaining eligibility as provided for in Part 1.2"

#### 2.3 Use of NOI Form

You must submit the information required under Part 2.2 on the latest version of the NOI form (or photocopy thereof) contained in Addendum D. Your NOI must be signed and dated in accordance with Part 9.7 of this permit.

**Note:** If EPA notifies dischargers (either directly, by public notice, or by making information available on the Internet) of other NOI form options that become available at a later date (e.g., electronic submission of forms), you may take advantage of those options to satisfy the NOI use and submittal requirements of Part 2.

#### 2.4 Where To Submit

Your NOI must be signed in accordance with Part 9.7 of this permit and submitted to the Director of the NPDES Permitting Program at the following address: Storm Water Notice of Intent (4203), US EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

#### 2.5 Additional Notification

If your facility discharges through a large or medium municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), or into a MS4 that has been designated by the permitting authority, you must also submit a signed copy of the NOI to the operator of that MS4 upon request by the MS4 operator.

#### 3. Special Conditions

##### 3.1 Hazardous Substances or Oil

You must prevent or minimize the discharge of hazardous substances or oil in your discharge(s) in accordance with the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan for your facility. This permit does not relieve you of the reporting requirements of 40 CFR 110, 40 CFR 117 and 40 CFR 302 relating to spills or other releases of oils or hazardous substances.

##### 3.1.1 Single Releases and Spills

Where a release containing a hazardous substance or oil in an amount equal to or in excess of a reportable quantity established under either 40 CFR 110, 40 CFR 117 or 40 CFR 302, occurs during a 24 hour period:

3.1.1.1 You must notify the National Response Center (NRC) (800-424-8802; in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area call 202-426-2675) in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 110, 40 CFR 117 and 40 CFR 302 as soon as he or she has knowledge of the discharge;

3.1.1.2 You must modify your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan required under Part 4 within 14 calendar days of knowledge of the release to: provide a description of the release, the circumstances leading to the release, and the date of the release. In addition, you must review your plan to identify measures to prevent the reoccurrence of such releases and to respond to such releases, and you must modify your plan where appropriate.

##### 3.1.2 Anticipated Discharges

Anticipated discharges containing a hazardous substance in an amount equal to or in excess of reporting quantities are those caused by events occurring within the scope of the relevant operating system. If your facilities has (or will have) more than one anticipated

discharge per year containing a hazardous substance in an amount equal to or in excess of a reportable quantity, you must:

3.1.2.1 Submit notifications of the first release that occurs during a calendar year (or for the first year of this permit, after submittal of an NOI); and

3.1.2.2 Provide a written description in the SWPPP of the dates on which such releases occurred, the type and estimate of the amount of material released, and the circumstances leading to the releases. In addition, your SWPPP must address measures to minimize such releases.

3.1.2.3 Where a discharge of a hazardous substance or oil in excess of reporting quantities is caused by a non-storm water discharge (e.g., a spill of oil into a separate storm sewer), that discharge is not authorized by the MSGP and you must report the discharge as required under 40 CFR Part 110, 40 CFR Part 117, or 40 CFR Part 302 (see Part 3.1.1. above). In the event of a spill, the requirements of Section 311 of the CWA and other applicable provisions of Sections 301 and 402 of the CWA continue to apply.

#### 3.2 Additional Requirements for Salt Storage

If you have storage piles of salt used for deicing or other commercial or industrial purposes, they must be enclosed or covered to prevent exposure to precipitation (except for exposure resulting from adding or removing materials from the pile). Piles do not need to be enclosed or covered where storm water from the pile is not discharged to waters of the United States or the discharges from the piles are authorized under another permit.

#### 3.3 Discharge Compliance With Water Quality Standards

Your discharges must not be causing or have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to a violation of a water quality standard. Where a discharge is already authorized under this permit and is later determined to cause or have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to the violation of an applicable water quality standard, the Director will notify you of such violation(s). You must take all necessary actions to ensure future discharges do not cause or contribute to the violation of a water quality standard and document these actions in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan. If violations remain or re-occur, then coverage under this permit may be terminated by the Director, and an alternative general permit or individual permit may be issued. Compliance with

this requirement does not preclude any enforcement activity as provided by the Clean Water Act for the underlying violation.

#### **4. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans**

##### **4.1 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Requirements**

You must prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for your facility before submitting your Notice of Intent for permit coverage. Your SWPPP must be prepared in accordance with good engineering practices. Use of a registered professional engineer for SWPPP preparation is not required by the permit, but may be independently required under state law and/or local ordinance. Your SWPPP must:

- 4.1.1 Identify potential sources of pollution which may reasonably be expected to affect the quality of storm water discharges from your facility;
- 4.1.2 Describe and ensure implementation of practices which you will use to reduce the pollutants in storm water discharges from the facility; and
- 4.1.3 assure compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit.

**Note:** At larger installations such as military bases where there are well-defined industrial versus non-industrial areas, the SWPPP required under this Part need only address those areas with discharges of storm water associated with industrial activity. (e.g., under this permit, a U.S. Air Force Base would need to address the vehicle maintenance areas associated with the "airport" portion of the base in the SWPPP, but would not need to address a car wash that served only the on-base housing areas.)

#### **4.2 Contents of Plan**

##### **4.2.4.2.1 Pollution Prevention Team**

You must identify the staff individual(s) (by name or title) that comprise the facility's storm water Pollution Prevention Team. Your Pollution Prevention Team is responsible for assisting the facility/plant manager in developing, implementing, maintaining and revising the facility's SWPPP. Responsibilities of each staff individual on the team must be listed.

##### **4.2.2 Site Description**

Your SWPPP must include the following:

- 4.2.2.1 *Activities at Facility.* description of the nature of the industrial activity(ies) at your facility;
- 4.2.2.2 *General Location Map.* a general location map (e.g., U.S.G.S. quadrangle, or other map) with enough detail to identify the location of your

facility and the receiving waters within one mile of the facility;

##### **4.2.2.3 A legible site map identifying the following:**

- 4.2.2.3.1 Directions of storm water flow (e.g. use arrows to show which ways storm water will flow);
- 4.2.2.3.2 Locations of all existing structural BMPs;
- 4.2.2.3.3 Locations of all surface water bodies;
- 4.2.2.3.4 Locations of potential pollutant sources identified under 4.2.4 and where significant materials are exposed to precipitation;
- 4.2.2.3.5 Locations where major spills or leaks identified under 4.2.5 have occurred;
- 4.2.2.3.6 Locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to precipitation: fueling stations, vehicle and equipment maintenance and/or cleaning areas, loading/unloading areas, locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes, and liquid storage tanks;
- 4.2.2.3.7 Locations of storm water outfalls and an approximate outline of the area draining to each outfall;
- 4.2.2.3.8 Location and description of non-storm water discharges;
- 4.2.2.3.9 Locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to precipitation: processing and storage areas; access roads, rail cars and tracks; the location of transfer of substance in bulk; and machinery;
- 4.2.2.3.10 Location and source of runoff from adjacent property containing significant quantities of pollutants of concern to the facility (an evaluation of how the quality of the storm water running onto your facility impacts your storm water discharges may be included).

##### **4.2.3 Receiving Waters and Wetlands**

You must provide the name of the nearest receiving water(s), including intermittent streams, dry sloughs, arroyos and the areal extent and description of wetland or other "special aquatic sites" (see Part 12 for definition) that may receive discharges from your facility.

##### **4.2.4 Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources**

You must identify each separate area at your facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water. Industrial materials or activities include, but are not limited to, material handling equipment or activities, industrial machinery, raw materials, intermediate products, by-products, final products, or waste products. Material handling activities include the storage, loading and

unloading, transportation, or conveyance of any raw material, intermediate product, final product or waste product. For each, separate area identified, the description must include:

- 4.2.4.1 *Activities in Area.* A list of the activities (e.g., material storage, equipment fueling and cleaning, cutting steel beams); and
- 4.2.4.2 *Pollutants.* A list of the associated pollutant(s) or pollutant parameter(s) (e.g., crankcase oil, iron, biochemical oxygen demand, pH, etc.) for each activity. The pollutant list must include all significant materials that have been handled, treated, stored or disposed in a manner to allow exposure to storm water between the time of three (3) years before being covered under this permit and the present.

##### **4.2.5 Spills and Leaks**

You must clearly identify areas where potential spills and leaks, which can contribute pollutants to storm water discharges, can occur, and their accompanying drainage points. For areas that are exposed to precipitation or that otherwise drain to a storm water conveyance at the facility to be covered under this permit, you must provide a list of significant spills and leaks of toxic or hazardous pollutants that occurred during the three (3) year period prior to the date of the submission of a Notice of Intent (NOI). Your list must be updated if significant spills or leaks occur in exposed areas of your facility during the time you are covered by the permit.

Significant spills and leaks include, but are not limited to releases of oil or hazardous substances in excess of quantities that are reportable under CWA § 311 (see 40 CFR 110.10 and 40 CFR 117.21) or section 102 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). Significant spills may also include releases of oil or hazardous substances that are not in excess of reporting requirements.

##### **4.2.6 Sampling Data**

You must provide a summary of existing storm water discharge sampling data taken at your facility. All storm water sampling data collected during the term of this permit must also be summarized and included in this part of the SWPPP.

##### **4.2.7 Storm Water Controls**

4.2.7.1 *Description of Existing and Planned BMPs.* Describe the type and location of existing non-structural and structural best management practices (BMPs) selected for each of the areas where industrial materials or activities

are exposed to storm water. All the areas identified in Part 4.2.4 should have a BMP(s) identified for the area's discharges. For areas where BMPs are not currently in place, describe appropriate BMPs that you will use to control pollutants in storm water discharges. Selection of BMPs should take into consideration:

4.2.7.1.1 The quantity and nature of the pollutants, and their potential to impact the water quality of receiving waters;

4.2.7.1.2 Opportunities to combine the dual purposes of water quality protection and local flood control benefits (including physical impacts of high flows on streams—e.g., bank erosion, impairment of aquatic habitat, etc.);

4.2.7.1.3 Opportunities to offset the impact of impervious areas of the facility on ground water recharge and base flows in local streams (taking into account the potential for ground water contamination—See “User’s Guide to the MSGP-2000” section on groundwater considerations).

4.2.7.2 *BMP Types to be Considered.* The following types of structural, non-structural and other BMPs must be considered for implementation at your facility. Describe how each is, or will be, implemented. This requirement may have been fulfilled with the area-specific BMPs identified under Part 4.2.7.2, in which case the previous description is sufficient. However, many of the following BMPs may be more generalized or non site-specific and therefore not previously considered. If you determine that any of these BMPs are not appropriate for your facility, you must include an explanation of why they are not appropriate. The BMP examples listed below are not intended to be an exclusive list of BMPs that you may use. You are encouraged to keep abreast of new BMPs or new applications of existing BMPs to find the most cost effective means of permit compliance for your facility. If BMPs are being used or planned at the facility which are not listed here (e.g., replacing a chemical with a less toxic alternative, adopting a new or innovative BMP, etc.), include descriptions of them in this section of the SWPPP.

4.2.7.2.1 *Non-Structural BMPs.*

4.2.7.2.1.1 *Good Housekeeping:* You must keep all exposed areas of the facility in a clean, orderly manner where such exposed areas could contribute pollutants to storm water discharges. Common problem areas include: around trash containers, storage areas and loading docks. Measures must also include: a schedule for regular pickup and disposal of

garbage and waste materials; routine inspections for leaks and conditions of drums, tanks and containers.

4.2.7.2.1.2 *Minimizing Exposure:* Where practicable, industrial materials and activities should be protected by a storm resistant shelter to prevent exposure to rain, snow, snowmelt, or runoff.

**Note:** Eliminating exposure at all industrial areas may make the facility eligible for the 40 CFR 122.26(g) “No Exposure” exclusion from needing to have a permit.

4.2.7.2.1.3 *Preventive Maintenance:* You must have a preventive maintenance program which includes timely inspection and maintenance of storm water management devices, (e.g., cleaning oil/water separators, catch basins) as well as inspecting, testing, maintaining and repairing facility equipment and systems to avoid breakdowns or failures that may result in discharges of pollutants to surface waters.

4.2.7.2.1.4 *Spill Prevention and Response Procedures:* You must describe the procedures which will be followed for cleaning up spills or leaks. Those procedures, and necessary spill response equipment, must be made available to those employees that may cause or detect a spill or leak. Where appropriate, you must explain existing or planned material handling procedures, storage requirements, secondary containment, and equipment (e.g., diversion valves), which are intended to minimize spills or leaks at the facility. Measures for cleaning up hazardous material spills or leaks must be consistent with applicable RCRA regulations at 40 CFR Part 264 and 40 CFR Part 265.

4.2.7.2.1.5 *Routine Facility Inspections:* In addition to or as part of the comprehensive site evaluation required under Part 4.9, you must have qualified facility personnel inspect all areas of the facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water. The inspections must include an evaluation of existing storm water BMPs. Your SWPPP must identify how often these inspections will be conducted. You must correct any deficiencies in implementation of your SWP3 you find as soon as practicable, but not later than within 14 days of the inspection. You must document in your SWPPP the results of your inspections and the corrective actions you took in response to any deficiencies or opportunities for improvement that you identify.

4.2.7.2.1.6 *Employee Training:* You must describe the storm water employee training program for the facility. The

description should include the topics to be covered, such as spill response, good housekeeping and material management practices, and must identify periodic dates (e.g., every 6 months during the months of July and January) for such training. You must provide employee training for all employees that work in areas where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water, and for employees that are responsible for implementing activities identified in the SWPPP (e.g., inspectors, maintenance people). The employee training should inform them of the components and goals of your SWPPP.

4.2.7.2.2 *Structural BMPs.*

4.2.7.2.2.1 *Sediment and Erosion Control:* You must identify the areas at your facility which, due to topography, land disturbance (e.g., construction), or other factors, have a potential for significant soil erosion. You must describe the structural, vegetative, and/or stabilization BMPs that you will be implementing to limit erosion.

4.2.7.2.2.2 *Management of Runoff:* You must describe the traditional storm water management practices (permanent structural BMPs other than those which control the generation or source(s) of pollutants) that currently exist or that are planned for your facility. These types of BMPs typically are used to divert, infiltrate, reuse, or otherwise reduce pollutants in storm water discharges from the site. All BMPs that you determine are reasonable and appropriate, or are required by a State or local authority; or are necessary to maintain eligibility for the permit (see Part 1.2.3—Limitations on Coverage) must be implemented and maintained. Factors to consider when you are selecting appropriate BMPs should include: (1) The industrial materials and activities that are exposed to storm water, and the associated pollutant potential of those materials and activities; and (2) the beneficial and potential detrimental effects on surface water quality, ground water quality, receiving water base flow (dry weather stream flow), and physical integrity of receiving waters. (See “User’s Guide to the MSGP-2000” for Considerations in Selection of BMPs) Structural measures should be placed on upland soils, avoiding wetlands and floodplains, if possible. Structural BMPs may require a separate permit under section 404 of the CWA before installation begins.

4.2.7.2.2.3 *Example BMPs:* BMPs you could use include but are not limited to: storm water detention structures (including wet ponds); storm water retention structures; flow attenuation by use of open vegetated swales and natural depressions;

infiltration of runoff onsite; and sequential systems (which combine several practices).

4.2.7.2.3 *Other Controls.* No solid materials, including floatable debris, may be discharged to waters of the United States, except as authorized by a permit issued under section 404 of the CWA. Off-site vehicle tracking of raw, final, or waste materials or sediments, and the generation of dust must be minimized. Tracking or blowing of raw, final, or waste materials from areas of no exposure to exposed areas must be minimized. Velocity dissipation devices must be placed at discharge locations and along the length of any outfall channel if they are necessary to provide a non-erosive flow velocity from the structure to a water course.

### 4.3 Maintenance

All BMPs you identify in your SWPPP must be maintained in effective operating condition. If site inspections required by Part 4.9 identify BMPs that are not operating effectively, maintenance must be performed before the next anticipated storm event, or as necessary to maintain the continued effectiveness of storm water controls. If maintenance prior to the next anticipated storm event is impracticable, maintenance must be scheduled and accomplished as soon as practicable. In the case of non-structural BMPs, the effectiveness of the BMP must be maintained by appropriate means (*e.g.*, spill response supplies available and personnel trained, *etc.*).

### 4.4 Non-Storm Water Discharges

#### 4.4.1 Certification of Non-Storm Water Discharges

4.4.1.1 Your SWPPP must include a certification that all discharges (*i.e.*, outfalls) have been tested or evaluated for the presence of non-storm water. The certification must be signed in accordance with Part 9.7 of this permit, and include:

4.4.1.1.1 The date of any testing and/or evaluation;

4.4.1.1.2 Identification of potential significant sources of non-storm water at the site;

4.4.1.1.3 A description of the results of any test and/or evaluation for the presence of non-storm water discharges;

4.4.1.1.4 A description of the evaluation criteria or testing method used; and

4.4.1.1.5 A list of the outfalls or onsite drainage points that were directly observed during the test.

4.4.1.2 You do not need to sign a new certification if one was already completed for either the 1992 baseline

Industrial General Permit or the 1995 Multi-sector General Permit and you have no reason to believe conditions at the facility have changed.

4.4.1.3 If you are unable to provide the certification required (testing for non-storm water discharges), you must notify the Director 180 days after submitting an NOI to be covered by this permit. If the failure to certify is caused by the inability to perform adequate tests or evaluations, such notification must describe:

4.4.1.3.1 Reason(s) why certification was not possible;

4.4.1.3.2 The procedure of any test attempted;

4.4.1.3.3 The results of such test or other relevant observations; and

4.4.1.3.4 Potential sources of non-storm water discharges to the storm sewer.

4.4.1.4 A Copy of the notification must be included in the SWPPP at the facility. Non-storm water discharges to waters of the United States which are not authorized by an NPDES permit are unlawful, and must be terminated.

#### 4.4.2 Allowable Non-Storm Water Discharges

4.4.2.1 Certain sources of non-storm water are allowable under this permit (see 1.2.2.2—Allowable Non-Storm Water Discharges). In order for these discharges to be allowed, your SWPPP must include:

4.4.2.1.1 Identification of each allowable non-storm water source;

4.4.2.1.2 The location where it is likely to be discharged; and

4.4.2.1.3 Descriptions of appropriate BMPs for each source.

4.4.2.2 Except for flows from fire fighting activities, you must identify in your SWPPP all sources of allowable non-storm water that are discharged under the authority of this permit.

4.4.2.3 If you include mist blown from cooling towers amongst your allowable non-storm water discharges, you must specifically evaluate the potential for the discharges to be contaminated by chemicals used in the cooling tower and determined that the levels of such chemicals in the discharges would not cause or contribute to a violation of an applicable water quality standard after implementation of the BMPs you have selected to control such discharges.

### 4.5 Documentation of Permit Eligibility Related to Endangered Species

Your SWPPP must include documentation supporting your determination of permit eligibility with regard to Part 1.2.3.6 (Endangered Species), including:

4.5.1 Information on whether listed endangered or threatened species, or critical habitat, are found in proximity to your facility;

4.5.2 Whether such species may be affected by your storm water discharges or storm water discharge-related activities;

4.5.3 Results of your Addendum A endangered species screening determinations; and

4.5.4 A description of measures necessary to protect listed endangered or threatened species, or critical habitat, including any terms or conditions that are imposed under the eligibility requirements of Part 1.2.3.6. If you fail to describe and implement such measures, your discharges are ineligible for coverage under this permit.

### 4.6 Documentation of Permit Eligibility Related to Historic Places

Your SWPPP must include documentation supporting your determination of permit eligibility with regard to Part 1.2.3.7 (Historic Places), including:

4.6.1 Information on whether your storm water discharges or storm water discharge-related activities would have an effect on a property that is listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places;

4.6.2 Where effects may occur, any written agreements you have made with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, or other Tribal leader to mitigate those effects;

4.6.3 Results of your Addendum B historic places screening determinations; and

4.6.4 Description of measures necessary to avoid or minimize adverse impacts on places listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places, including any terms or conditions that are imposed under the eligibility requirements of Part 1.2.3.7 of this permit. If you fail to describe and implement such measures, your discharges are ineligible for coverage under this permit.

### 4.7 Copy of Permit Requirements

You must include a copy of this permit in your SWPPP.

**Note:** The confirmation of coverage letter you receive from the NOI Processing Center assigning your permit number IS NOT your permit—it merely acknowledges that your NOI has been accepted and you have been authorized to discharge subject to the terms and conditions of today's permit.

### 4.8 Applicable State, Tribal or Local Plans

Your SWPPP must be consistent (and updated as necessary to remain

consistent) with applicable State, Tribal and/or local storm water, waste disposal, sanitary sewer or septic system regulations to the extent these apply to your facility and are more stringent than the requirements of this permit.

#### **4.9 Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation**

##### **4.9.1 Frequency and Inspectors**

You must conduct facility inspections at least once a year. The inspections must be done by qualified personnel provided by you. The qualified personnel you use may be either your own employees or outside consultants that you have hired, provided they are knowledgeable and possess the skills to assess conditions at your facility that could impact storm water quality and assess the effectiveness of the BMPs you have chosen to use to control the quality of your storm water discharges. If you decide to conduct more frequent inspections, your SWPPP must specify the frequency of inspections.

##### **4.9.2 Scope of the Compliance Evaluation**

Your inspections must include all areas where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water, as identified in 4.2.4, and areas where spills and leaks have occurred within the past 3 years. Inspectors should look for: (a) Industrial materials, residue or trash on the ground that could contaminate or be washed away in storm water; (b) leaks or spills from industrial equipment, drums, barrels, tanks or similar containers; (c) offsite tracking of industrial materials or sediment where vehicles enter or exit the site; (d) tracking or blowing of raw, final, or waste materials from areas of no exposure to exposed areas and (e) for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system. Results of both visual and any analytical monitoring done during the year must be taken into consideration during the evaluation. Storm water BMPs identified in your SWPPP must be observed to ensure that they are operating correctly. Where discharge locations or points are accessible, they must be inspected to see whether BMPs are effective in preventing significant impacts to receiving waters. Where discharge locations are inaccessible, nearby downstream locations must be inspected if possible.

##### **4.9.3 Follow-Up Actions**

Based on the results of the inspection, you must modify your SWPPP as necessary (*e.g.*, show additional controls on map required by Part 4.2.2.3; revise description of controls required by Part

4.2.7 to include additional or modified BMPs designed to correct problems identified. You must complete revisions to the SWPPP within 14 calendar days following the inspection. If existing BMPs need to be modified or if additional BMPs are necessary, implementation must be completed before the next anticipated storm event, if practicable, but not more than twelve (12) weeks after completion of the comprehensive site evaluation.

##### **4.9.4 Compliance Evaluation Report**

You must insure a report summarizing the scope of the inspection, name(s) of personnel making the inspection, the date(s) of the inspection, and major observations relating to the implementation of the SWPPP is completed and retained as part of the SWPPP for at least three years from the date permit coverage expires or is terminated. Major observations should include: the location(s) of discharges of pollutants from the site; location(s) of BMPs that need to be maintained; location(s) of BMPs that failed to operate as designed or proved inadequate for a particular location; and location(s) where additional BMPs are needed that did not exist at the time of inspection. You must retain a record of actions taken in accordance with Part 4.9 of this permit as part of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan for at least three years from the date that permit coverage expires or is terminated. The inspection reports must identify any incidents of non-compliance. Where an inspection report does not identify any incidents of non-compliance, the report must contain a certification that the facility is in compliance with the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and this permit. Both the inspection report and any reports of follow-up actions must be signed in accordance with Part 9.7 (reporting) of this permit.

##### **4.9.5 Credit As a Routine Facility Inspection**

Where compliance evaluation schedules overlap with inspections required under Part 4.2.7.2.1.5, your annual compliance evaluation may also be used as one of the Part 4.2.7.5 routine inspections.

##### **4.10 Maintaining Updated SWPPP**

You must amend the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan whenever:

4.10.1 there is a change in design, construction, operation, or maintenance at your facility which has a significant effect on the discharge, or potential for discharge, of pollutants from your facility;

4.10.2 During inspections, monitoring, or investigations by you or by local, State, Tribal or Federal officials it is determined the SWPPP is ineffective in eliminating or significantly minimizing pollutants from sources identified under 4.2.4, or is otherwise not achieving the general objectives of controlling pollutants in discharges from your facility.

##### **4.11 Signature, Plan Review and Making Plans Available**

4.11.1 You must sign your SWPPP in accordance with Part 9.7, and retain the plan on-site at the facility covered by this permit (see Part 8 for records retention requirements).

4.11.2 You must keep a copy of the SWPPP on-site or locally available to the Director for review at the time of an on-site inspection. You must make your SWPPP available upon request to the Director, a State, Tribal or local agency approving storm water management plans, or the operator of a municipal separate storm sewer receiving discharge from the site. Also, in the interest of the public's right to know, you must provide a copy of your SWPPP to the public if requested in writing to do so.

4.11.3 The Director may notify you at any time that your SWPPP does not meet one or more of the minimum requirements of this permit. The notification will identify provisions of this permit which are not being met, as well as the required modifications. Within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of such notification, you must make the required changes to the SWPPP and submit to the Director a written certification that the requested changes have been made.

4.11.4 You must make the SWPPP available to the USFWS or NMFS upon request.

##### **4.12 Additional Requirements for Storm Water Discharges Associated With Industrial Activity From Facilities Subject to EPCRA Section 313 Reporting Requirements**

Potential pollutant sources for which you have reporting requirements under EPCRA 313 must be identified in your summary of potential pollutant sources as per Part 4.2.4. Note this additional requirement only applies to you if you are subject to reporting requirements under EPCRA 313.

##### **5. Monitoring Requirements and Numeric Limitations**

There are five individual and separate categories of monitoring requirements and numeric limitations that your facility may be subject to under this

permit. The monitoring requirements and numeric limitations applicable to your facility depend on a number of factors, including: (1) The types of industrial activities generating storm water runoff from your facility, and (2) the state or tribe where your facility is located. Part 6 identifies monitoring requirements applicable to specific sectors of industrial activity. Part 13 contains additional requirements that apply only to facilities located in a particular State or Indian country land. You must review Parts 5, 6 and 13 of the permit to determine which monitoring requirements and numeric limitations apply to your facility. Unless otherwise specified, limitations and monitoring requirements under Parts 5, 6, and 13 are additive.

Sector-specific monitoring requirements and limitations are applied discharge by discharge at facilities with co-located activities. Where storm water from the co-located activities are co-mingled, the monitoring requirements and limitations are additive. Where more than one numeric limitation for a specific parameter applies to a discharge, compliance with the more restrictive limitation is required. Where monitoring requirements for a monitoring quarter overlap (e.g., need to monitor TSS 1/ year for a limit and also 1/quarter for benchmark monitoring), you may use a single sample to satisfy both monitoring requirements.

## 5.1 Types of Monitoring Requirements and Limitations

### 5.1.1 Quarterly Visual Monitoring

The requirements and procedures for quarterly visual monitoring are applicable to all facilities covered under this permit, regardless of your facility's sector of industrial activity.

5.1.1.1 You must perform and document a quarterly visual examination of a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity from each outfall, except discharges exempted below. The visual examination must be made during daylight hours (e.g., normal working hours). If no storm event resulted in runoff from the facility during a monitoring quarter, you are excused

from visual monitoring for that quarter provided you document in your monitoring records that no runoff occurred. You must sign and certify the documentation in accordance with Part 9.7.

5.1.1.2 Your visual examinations must be made of samples collected within the first 30 minutes (or as soon thereafter as practical, but not to exceed 1 hour) of when the runoff or snowmelt begins discharging from your facility. The examination must document observations of color, odor, clarity, floating solids, settled solids, suspended solids, foam, oil sheen, and other obvious indicators of storm water pollution. The examination must be conducted in a well lit area. No analytical tests are required to be performed on the samples. All such samples must be collected from the discharge resulting from a storm event that is greater than 0.1 inches in magnitude and that occurs at least 72 hours from the previously measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event. The 72-hour storm interval is waived when the preceding measurable storm did not yield a measurable discharge, or if you are able to document that less than a 72-hour interval is representative for local storm events during the sampling period. Where practicable, the same individual should carry out the collection and examination of discharges for the entire permit term. If no qualifying storm event resulted in runoff from the facility during a monitoring quarter, you are excused from visual monitoring for that quarter provided you document in your monitoring records that no qualifying storm event occurred that resulted in storm water runoff during that quarter. You must sign and certify the documentation in accordance with Part 9.7.

5.1.1.3 You must maintain your visual examination reports onsite with the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan. The report must include the examination date and time, examination personnel, the nature of the discharge (i.e., runoff or snow melt), visual quality of the storm water discharge (including observations of color, odor, clarity, floating solids, settled solids, suspended solids, foam, oil sheen, and other

obvious indicators of storm water pollution), and probable sources of any observed storm water contamination.

5.1.1.4 Inactive and Unstaffed Sites: When you are unable to conduct visual storm water examinations at an inactive and unstaffed site, you may exercise a waiver of the monitoring requirement as long as the facility remains inactive and unstaffed. If you exercise this waiver, you must maintain a certification with the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan stating that the site is inactive and unstaffed and that performing visual examinations during a qualifying event is not feasible. You must sign and certify the waiver in accordance with Part 9.7.

### 5.1.2 Benchmark Monitoring of Discharges Associated With Specific Industrial Activities

Table 5–1 identifies the specific industrial sectors subject to the Benchmark Monitoring requirements of this permit and the industry-specific pollutants of concern. You must refer to the tables found in the individual Sectors in Part 6 for Benchmark Monitoring Cut-Off Concentrations. If your facility has co-located activities (see Part 1.2.1.1) described in more than one sector in Part 6, you must comply with all applicable benchmark monitoring requirements from each sector.

The results of benchmark monitoring are primarily for your use to determine the overall effectiveness of your SWPPP in controlling the discharge of pollutants to receiving waters. Benchmark values, included in Part 6 of this permit, are not viewed as effluent limitations. An exceedance of a benchmark value does not, in and of itself, constitute a violation of this permit. While exceedance of a benchmark value does not automatically indicate that violation of a water quality standard has occurred, it does signal that modifications to the SWPPP may be necessary. In addition, exceedance of benchmark values may identify facilities that would be more appropriately covered under an individual, or alternative general permit where more specific pollution prevention controls could be required.

TABLE 5–1.—INDUSTRY SECTORS/SUB-SECTORS SUBJECT TO BENCHMARK MONITORING

MSGP sector <sup>1</sup>	Industry sub-sector	Required parameters for benchmark monitoring
A .....	General Sawmills and Planing Mills .....	COD, TSS, Zinc.
	Wood Preserving Facilities .....	Arsenic, Copper.
	Log Storage and Handling .....	TSS.
	Hardwood Dimension and Flooring Mills .....	COD, TSS.
B .....	Paperboard Mills .....	COD.



TABLE 5-1.—INDUSTRY SECTORS/SUB-SECTORS SUBJECT TO BENCHMARK MONITORING—Continued

MSGP sector <sup>1</sup>	Industry sub-sector	Required parameters for benchmark monitoring
C .....	Industrial Inorganic Chemicals .....	Aluminum, Iron, Nitrate + Nitrite N.
	Plastics, Synthetic Resins, etc. ....	Zinc.
	Soaps, Detergents, Cosmetics, Perfumes .....	Nitrate + Nitrite N, Zinc.
D .....	Agricultural Chemicals .....	Nitrate + Nitrite N, Lead, Iron, Zinc, Phosphorus.
E .....	Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials .....	TSS.
	Clay Products .....	Aluminum.
	Concrete Products .....	TSS, Iron.
F .....	Steel Works, Blast Furnaces, and Rolling and Finishing Mills.	Aluminum, Zinc.
	Iron and Steel Foundries .....	Aluminum, TSS, Copper, Iron, Zinc.
	Non-Ferrous Rolling and Drawing .....	Copper, Zinc.
	Non-Ferrous Foundries (Castings) .....	Copper, Zinc.
G <sup>2</sup> .....	Copper Ore Mining and Dressing .....	COD, TSS, Nitrate + Nitrite N
H .....	Coal Mines and Coal-Mining Related Facilities .....	TSS, Aluminum, Iron
J .....	Dimension Stone, Crushed Stone, and Nonmetallic Minerals (except fuels).	TSS.
	Sand and Gravel Mining .....	Nitrate + Nitrite N, TSS.
K .....	Hazardous Waste Treatment Storage or Disposal ..	Ammonia, Magnesium, COD, Arsenic, Cadmium, Cyanide, Lead, Mercury, Selenium, Silver.
L .....	Landfills, Land Application Sites, and Open Dumps	Iron, TSS.
M .....	Automobile Salvage Yards .....	TSS, Aluminum, Iron, Lead.
N .....	Scrap Recycling .....	Copper, Aluminum, Iron, Lead, Zinc, TSS, COD.
O .....	Steam Electric Generating Facilities .....	Iron.
Q .....	Water Transportation Facilities .....	Aluminum, Iron, Lead, Zinc.
S .....	Airports with deicing activities <sup>3</sup> .....	BOD, COD, Ammonia, pH.
U .....	Grain Mill Products .....	TSS.
	Fats and Oils .....	BOD, COD, Nitrate + Nitrite N, TSS.
Y .....	Rubber Products .....	Zinc.
AA .....	Fabricated Metal Products Except Coating .....	Iron, Aluminum, Zinc, Nitrate + Nitrite N.
	Fabricated Metal Coating and Engraving .....	Zinc, Nitrate + Nitrite N.

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include parameters for compliance monitoring under effluent limitations guidelines.

<sup>2</sup> See Sector G (Part 6.G) for additional monitoring discharges from waste rock and overburden piles from active ore mining or dressing facilities.

<sup>3</sup> Monitoring requirement is for airports with deicing activities that utilize more than 100 tons of urea or more than 100,000 gallons of ethylene glycol per year.

5.1.2.1 *Monitoring Periods for Benchmark Monitoring.* Unless otherwise specified in Part 6, benchmark monitoring periods are October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002 (year two of the permit) and October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004 (year four of the permit). If your facility falls within a Sector(s) required to conduct benchmark monitoring, you must monitor quarterly (4 times a year) during at least one, and potentially both, monitoring periods; unless otherwise specified in the sector-specific requirements of Part 6. Depending on the results of the 2001–2002 monitoring year, you may not be required to conduct benchmark monitoring in the 2003–2004 monitoring year (see Part 5.1.2.2).

5.1.2.2 *Benchmark Monitoring Year 2003–2004 Waivers for Facilities Testing Below Benchmark Values.* All of the provisions of Part 5.1.2.2 are available to permittees except as noted in Part 6. Waivers from benchmark monitoring are

available to facilities whose discharges are below benchmark values, thus there is an incentive for facilities to improve the effectiveness of their SWPPPs in eliminating discharges of pollutants and avoid the cost of monitoring.

On both a parameter by parameter and outfall by outfall basis, you are not required to conduct sector-specific benchmark monitoring in the 2003–2004 monitoring year provided:

- You collected samples for all four quarters of the 2001–2002 monitoring year and the average concentration was below the benchmark value in Part 6; and
- You are not subject to a numeric limitation or State/Tribal-specific monitoring requirement for that parameter established in Part 5.2 or Part 13; and
- You include a certification in the SWPPP that based on current potential pollutant sources and BMPs used, discharges from the facility are reasonably expected to be essentially the same (or cleaner) compared to when

the benchmark monitoring for the 2001–2002 monitoring year was done.

5.1.2.3 *Inactive and Unstaffed Sites.* If you are unable to conduct benchmark monitoring at an inactive and unstaffed site, you may exercise a waiver of the monitoring requirement as long as the facility remains inactive and unstaffed. If you exercise this waiver, you must maintain a certification with your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan stating that the site is inactive and unstaffed and that performing benchmark monitoring during a qualifying storm event is not feasible. You must sign and certify the waiver in accordance with Part 9.7.

### 5.1.3 Coal Pile Runoff

5.1.3.1 If your facility has discharges of storm water from coal storage piles, you must comply with the limitations and monitoring requirements of Table 5–2 for all discharges containing the coal pile runoff, regardless of your facility's sector of industrial activity.

TABLE 5-2.—NUMERIC LIMITATIONS FOR COAL PILE RUNOFF

Parameter	Limit	Monitoring frequency	Sample type
Total Suspended Solids (TSS) .....	50 mg/L, max .....	1/year .....	Grab.
pH .....	6.0–9.0 min. and max .....	1/year .....	Grab.

5.1.3.2 You must not dilute coal pile runoff with storm water or other flows in order to meet this limitation.

5.1.3.3 If your facility is designed, constructed and operated to treat the volume of coal pile runoff that is associated with a 10-year, 24-hour rainfall event, any untreated overflow of coal pile runoff from the treatment unit is not subject to the 50 mg/L limitation for total suspended solids.

5.1.3.4 You must collect and analyze your samples in accordance with Part 5.2.2. Results of the testing must be retained and reported in accordance with Part 8 and 9.16.

#### 5.1.4 Compliance Monitoring for Discharges Subject to Numerical Effluent Limitation Guidelines

Table 1–2 of Part 1.2.2.1.3 of the permit identifies storm water discharges subject to effluent limitation guidelines that are authorized for coverage under the permit. Facilities subject to storm water effluent limitation guidelines are required to monitor such discharges to evaluate compliance with numerical effluent limitations. Industry-specific numerical limitations and compliance monitoring requirements are described in Part 6 of the permit.

#### 5.1.5 Monitoring for Limitations Required by a State or Tribe

Unless otherwise specified in Part 13 (state/tribal-specific permit conditions), you must sample once per year for any permit limit established as a result of a state or tribe's conditions for certification of this permit under CWA § 401.

### 5.2 Monitoring Instructions

#### 5.2.1 Monitoring Periods

If you are required to conduct monitoring on an annual or quarterly basis, you must collect your samples within the following time periods (unless otherwise specified in Part 6):

- The monitoring year is from October 1 to September 30
- If your permit coverage was effective less than one month from the end of a quarterly or yearly monitoring period, your first monitoring period starts with the next respective monitoring period. (e.g., if permit coverage begins June 5th, you would not need to start quarterly sampling until the July–September quarter, but you

would only have from June 5th to September 30th to complete that year's annual monitoring )

#### 5.2.2 Collection and Analysis of Samples

You must assess your sampling requirements on an outfall by outfall basis. You must collect and analyze your samples in accordance with the requirements of Part 9.16.

5.2.2.1 *When and How to Sample.* Take a minimum of one grab sample from the discharge associated with industrial activity resulting from a storm event with at least 0.1 inch of precipitation (defined as a “measurable” event), providing the interval from the preceding measurable storm is at least 72 hours. The 72-hour storm interval is waived when the preceding measurable storm did not yield a measurable discharge, or if you are able to document that less than a 72-hour interval is representative for local storm events during the sampling period.

Take the grab sample during the first 30 minutes of the discharge. If it is not practicable to take the sample during the first 30 minutes, sample during the first hour of discharge and describe why a grab sample during the first 30 minutes was impracticable. Submit this information on or with the discharge monitoring report (see Part 7.1). If the sampled discharge commingles with process or non-process water, attempt to sample the storm water discharge before it mixes with the non-storm water.

To get help with monitoring, consult the *Guidance Manual for the Monitoring and Reporting Requirements of the NPDES Storm Water Multi-Sector General Permit* which can be downloaded from the EPA Web Site at [www.epa.gov/OWM/sw/industry/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/OWM/sw/industry/index.htm). It can also be ordered from the Office of Water Resource Center by calling 202–260–7786.

#### 5.2.3 Storm Event Data

Along with the results of your monitoring, you must provide the date and duration (in hours) of the storm event(s) samples; rainfall measurements or estimates (in inches) of the storm event that generated the sampled runoff; the duration between the storm event samples and the end of the previous measurable (greater than 0.1 inch rainfall) storm event; and an estimate of

the total volume (in gallons) of the discharge samples.

#### 5.2.4 Representative Outfalls—Essential Identical Discharges

If your facility has two (2) or more outfalls that you believe discharge substantially identical effluents, based on similarities of the industrial activities, significant materials or storm water management practices occurring within the outfalls' drainage areas, you may test the effluent of just one of the outfalls and report that the quantitative data also applies to the substantially identical outfall(s). For this to be permissible, you must describe in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and include in the Discharge Monitoring Report the following: locations of the outfalls; why the outfalls are expected to discharge substantially identical effluents; estimates of the size of the drainage area (in square feet) for each of the outfalls; and an estimate of the runoff coefficient of the drainage areas (low: under 40 percent; medium: 40 to 65 percent; high: above 65 percent). Note: Page 107 of the *NPDES Storm Water Sampling Guidance Document* (EPA 800/B–92–001) lists criteria for substantially identical outfalls (available on EPA's web site at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/industry/>).

### 5.3 General Monitoring Waivers

Unless specifically stated otherwise, the following waivers may be applied to any monitoring required under this permit.

#### 5.3.1 Adverse Climatic Conditions Waiver

When adverse weather conditions prevent the collection of samples, take a substitute sample during a qualifying storm event in the next monitoring period, or four samples per monitoring year when weather conditions do not allow for samples to be spaced evenly during the year. Adverse conditions (i.e., those which are dangerous or create inaccessibility for personnel) may include such things as local flooding, high winds, electrical storms, or situations which otherwise make sampling impracticable such as drought or extended frozen conditions.

### 5.3.2 Alternative Certification of "Not Present or No Exposure"

You are not subject to the analytical monitoring requirements of Part 5.1.2 provided:

5.3.2.1 You make a certification for a given outfall, or on a pollutant-by-pollutant basis in lieu of monitoring required under Part 5.1.2, that material handling equipment or activities, raw materials, intermediate products, final products, waste materials, by-products, industrial machinery or operations, or significant materials from past industrial activity that are located in areas of the facility within the drainage area of the outfall are not presently exposed to storm water and are not expected to be exposed to storm water for the certification period; and

5.3.2.2 Your certification is signed in accordance with Part 9.7, retained in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, and submitted to EPA in accordance with Part 7. In the case of certifying that a pollutant is not present, the permittee must submit the certification along with the monitoring reports required Part 7; and

5.3.2.3 If you cannot certify for an entire period, you must submit the date exposure was eliminated and any monitoring required up until that date; and

5.3.2.4 No numeric limitation or State-specific monitoring requirement for that parameter is established in Part 5 or Part 13.

### 5.4 Monitoring Required by the Director

The Director may provide written notice to any facility, including those otherwise exempt from the sampling requirements of Parts 5, 6 and 12, requiring discharge sampling for a specific monitoring frequency for specific parameters. Any such notice will briefly state the reasons for the monitoring, parameters to be monitored, frequency and period of monitoring, sample types, and reporting requirements.

### 5.5 Reporting Monitoring Results

Deadlines and procedures for submitting monitoring reports are contained in Part 7.

## 6. Sector-Specific Requirements for Industrial Activity

You only need to comply with the additional requirements of Part 6 that

apply to the sector(s) of industrial activity at your facility. These sector-specific requirements are in addition to the "basic" requirements specified in Parts 1–5 and 7–13 of this permit.

### 6.A Sector A—Timber Products

#### 6.A.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.A apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Timber Products facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector A in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

#### 6.A.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector A

The types of activities that permittees under Sector A are primarily engaged in are:

6.A.2.1 Cutting timber and pulpwood (those that have log storage or handling areas);

6.A.2.2 Mills, including merchant, lath, shingle, cooperage stock, planing, plywood and veneer;

6.A.2.3 Producing lumber and wood basic materials;

6.A.2.4 Wood preserving;

6.A.2.5 Manufacturing finished articles made entirely of wood or related materials except wood kitchen cabinet manufacturers (covered under Part 6.23);

6.A.2.6 Manufacturing wood buildings or mobile homes.

#### 6.A.3 Special Coverage Conditions

6.A.3.1 *Prohibition of Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.3.1) Not covered by this permit: storm water discharges from areas where there may be contact with the chemical formulations sprayed to provide surface protection. These discharges must be covered by a separate NPDES permit.

6.A.3.2 *Authorized Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.3.1) Also authorized by this permit, provided the non-storm water component of the discharge is in compliance with SWPPP requirements in Part 4.2.7 (Controls): discharges from the spray down of lumber and wood product storage yards where no chemical additives are used in the spray down waters and no chemicals are applied to the wood during storage.

### 6.A.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.A.4.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Also identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: processing areas; treatment chemical storage areas; treated wood and residue storage areas; wet decking areas; dry decking areas; untreated wood and residue storage areas; and treatment equipment storage areas.

6.A.4.2 *Inventory of Exposed Materials.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Where such information exists, if your facility has used chlorophenolic, creosote or chromium-copper-arsenic formulations for wood surface protection or preserving, identify the following: areas where contaminated soils, treatment equipment and stored materials still remain, and the management practices employed to minimize the contact of these materials with storm water runoff.

6.A.4.3 *Description of Storm Water Management Controls.* (See also Part 4.2.7). Describe and implement measures to address the following activities/sources: log, lumber and wood product storage areas; residue storage areas; loading and unloading areas; material handling areas; chemical storage areas; and equipment/vehicle maintenance, storage and repair areas. If your facility performs wood surface protection/preservation activities, address the specific BMPs for these activities.

6.A.4.4 *Good Housekeeping.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1). In areas where storage, loading/unloading and material handling occur, perform good housekeeping to limit the discharge of wood debris; minimize the leachate generated from decaying wood materials; and minimize the generation of dust.

6.A.4.5 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5). If your facility performs wood surface protection/preservation activities, inspect processing areas, transport areas and treated wood storage areas monthly to assess the usefulness of practices to minimize the deposit of treatment chemicals on unprotected soils and in areas that will come in contact with storm water discharges.

### 6.A.5 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (See also Part 5)

TABLE A-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING  
[Sector of permit affected/supplemental requirements]

Subsector (Discharge may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cutoff concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation <sup>2</sup>
General Sawmills and Planning Mills (SIC 2421) .....	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD).	120.0 mg/L.	6.0–9.0 s.u.  No Discharge of debris that will not pass through a 2.54 cm (1") diameter round opening.
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).	100 mg/L.	
	Total Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	
Wood Preserving (SIC 2491) .....	Total Arsenic .....	0.16854 mg/L.	
	Total Copper .....	0.0636 mg/L.	
Log Storage and Handling (SIC 2411) .....	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).	100 mg/L.	
Wet Decking Discharges at Log Storage and Handling Areas (SIC 2411).	pH .....	.....	
	Debris (woody material such as bark, twigs, branches, heartwood, or sapwood).	.....	
Hardwood Dimension and Flooring Mills; Special Products Sawmills, not elsewhere classified; Millwork, Veneer, Plywood and Structural Wood; Wood Containers; Wood Buildings and Mobile Homes; Reconstituted Wood Products; and Wood Products Facilities not elsewhere classified (SIC Codes 2426, 2429, 2431–2439 (except 2434), 2448, 2449, 2451, 2452, 2593, and 2499).	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD).	120.0 mg/L.	
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).	100.0 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years.

<sup>2</sup> Monitor once per year for each monitoring year.

## 6.B Sector B—Paper and Allied Products Manufacturing

### 6.B.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.B apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Paper and Allied Products Manufacturing facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified

under Sector B in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.B.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector B

The types of activities that permittees under Sector B are primarily engaged in are:

6.B.2.1 Manufacture of pulps from wood and other cellulose fibers and from rags;

6.B.2.2 Manufacture of paper and paperboard into converted products, *i.e.* paper coated off the paper machine, paper bags, paper boxes and envelopes;

6.B.2.3 Manufacture of bags of plastic film and sheet.

### 6.B.3 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (See also Part 5)

TABLE B-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring and cutoff concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Paperboard Mills (SIC Code 2631) .....	COD .....	120.0 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years

## 6.C Sector C—Chemical and Allied Products Manufacturing

### 6.C.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.C apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Chemical and Allied Products Manufacturing facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector C in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.C.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector C

The requirements listed under this Part apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from a facility engaged in manufacturing the following products:

6.C.2.1 basic industrial inorganic chemicals;

6.C.2.2 plastic materials and synthetic resins, synthetic rubbers, and

cellulosic and other human made fibers, except glass;

6.C.2.3 soap and other detergents, including facilities producing glycerin from vegetable and animal fats and oils; speciality cleaning, polishing and sanitation preparations; surface active preparations used as emulsifiers, wetting agents and finishing agents, including sulfonated oils; and perfumes, cosmetics and other toilet preparations;

6.C.2.4 paints (in paste and ready mixed form); varnishes; lacquers; enamels and shellac; putties, wood fillers, and sealers; paint and varnish removers; paint brush cleaners; and allied paint producers;

6.C.2.5 industrial organic chemicals;

6.C.2.6 industrial and household adhesives, glues, caulking compounds, sealants, and linoleum, tile and rubber cements from vegetable, animal or synthetic plastic materials; explosives; printing ink, including gravure, screen process and lithographic inks; miscellaneous chemical preparations such as fatty acids, essential oils, gelatin (except vegetable), sizes, bluing, laundry sours, writing and stamp pad ink, industrial compounds such as boiler and heat insulating compounds, and chemical supplies for foundries;

6.C.2.7 ink and paints, including china painting enamels, indian ink, drawing ink, platinum paints for burnt wood or leather work, paints for china painting, artists' paints and artists' water colors;

6.C.2.8 nitrogenous and phosphatic basic fertilizers, mixed fertilizers,

pesticides and other agricultural chemicals.

### 6.C.3 Limitations on Coverage

6.C.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.3.3) Not covered by this permit: non-storm water discharges containing inks, paints or substances (hazardous, nonhazardous, *etc.*) resulting from an onsite spill, including materials collected in drip pans; washwater from material handling and processing areas; and washwater from drum, tank or container rinsing and cleaning.

### 6.C.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.C.4.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Also identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: processing and storage areas; access roads, rail cars and tracks; areas where substances are transferred in bulk; and operating machinery.

6.C.4.2 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Describe the

following sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them: loading, unloading and transfer of chemicals; outdoor storage of salt, pallets, coal, drums, containers, fuels, fueling stations; vehicle and equipment maintenance/cleaning areas; areas where the treatment, storage or disposal (on- or off-site) of waste/wastewater occur; storage tanks and other containers; processing and storage areas; access roads, rail cars and tracks; areas where the transfer of substances in bulk occurs; and areas where machinery operates.

6.C.4.3 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1) As part of your good housekeeping program, include a schedule for regular pickup and disposal of garbage and waste materials, or adopt other appropriate measures to reduce the potential for discharging storm water that has contacted garbage or waste materials. Routinely inspect the condition of drums, tanks and containers for potential leaks.

### 6.C.5 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (See also Part 5)

TABLE C-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation <sup>2</sup>
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Phosphate Subcategory of the Fertilizer Manufacturing Point Source Category (40 CFR § 418.10)—applies to precipitation runoff, that during manufacturing or processing, comes into contact with any raw materials, intermediate product, finished product, by-products or waste product (SIC 2874).	Total Phosphorus (as P) ...	.....	105.0 mg/L, daily max. 35 mg/L, 30-day avg.
	Fluoride .....	.....	75.0 mg/L, daily max. 25.0 mg/L, 30-day avg.
Agricultural Chemicals (2873–2879) .....	Nitrate plus Nitrite Nitrogen	0.68 mg/L.	Nitrate plus Nitrite Nitrogen
	Total Recoverable Lead ....	0.0816 mg/L. ....	
	Total Recoverable Iron .....	1.0 mg/L. ....	
	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L. ....	
	Phosphorus .....	2.0 mg/L. ....	
	Total Recoverable Aluminum	0.75 mg/L	
Industrial Inorganic Chemicals (2812–2819) .....	Total Recoverable Iron. ....	1.0 mg/L .....	Nitrate plus Nitrite Nitrogen
Soaps, Detergents, Cosmetics, and Perfumes (SIC 2841–2844).	Nitrate plus Nitrite Nitrogen	0.68 mg/L.	
Plastics, Synthetics, and Resins (SIC 2821–2824) .....	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

<sup>2</sup> Monitor once/year for each Monitoring Year.

## 6.D Sector D—Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials and Lubricant Manufacturers

### 6.D.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.D apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Asphalt Paving

and Roofing Materials and Lubricant Manufacturers facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector D in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.D.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector D

The types of activities that permittees under Sector D are primarily engaged in are:

6.D.2.1 manufacturing asphalt paving and roofing materials;

6.D.2.2 portable asphalt plant facilities;  
6.D.2.3 manufacturing lubricating oils and greases.

### 6.D.3 Limitations on Coverage

The following storm water discharges associated with industrial activity are not authorized by this permit:

6.D.3.1 discharges from petroleum refining facilities, including those that manufacture asphalt or asphalt products that are classified as SIC code 2911;

6.D.3.2 discharges from oil recycling facilities;  
6.D.3.3 discharges associated with fats and oils rendering.

### 6.D.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.D.4.1 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Inspect at least once per month, as part of the maintenance

program, the following areas: Material storage and handling areas, liquid storage tanks, hoppers/silos, vehicle and equipment maintenance, cleaning and fueling areas, material handling vehicles, equipment and processing areas. Ensure appropriate action is taken in response to the inspection by implementing tracking or follow up procedures.

### 6.D.5 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also part 5)

TABLE D-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric Limitation <sup>2</sup>
<b>Sector of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials (SIC 2951, 2952)	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).	100mg/L.	
Discharges from areas where production of asphalt paving and roofing emulsions occurs (SIC 2951, 2952).	TSS .....	.....	23.0 mg/L, daily max 15.0 mg/L 30-day avg.
	Oil and Grease .....	.....	15.0 mg/L daily max. 10mg/L, 30-day avg.
	pH .....	.....	6.0–9.0

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years.

<sup>2</sup> Monitor once per year for each monitoring year.

### 6.E Sector E—Glass, Clay, Cement, Concrete, and Gypsum Products

#### 6.E.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.E apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Glass, Clay, Cement, Concrete, and Gypsum Products facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector E in Table 1–1 of part 1.2.1.

#### 6.E.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector E

The requirements listed under this permit apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from a facility engaged in either manufacturing the following products or performing the following activities:

6.E.2.1 flat, pressed, or blown glass or glass containers;  
6.E.2.2 hydraulic cement;  
6.E.2.3 clay products including tile and brick;  
6.E.2.4 pottery and porcelain electrical supplies;  
6.E.2.5 concrete products;  
6.E.2.6 gypsum products;  
6.E.2.7 minerals and earths, ground or otherwise treated;  
6.E.2.8 non-clay refractories;  
6.E.2.9 lime manufacturing  
6.E.2.10 cut stone and stone products

6.E.2.11 asbestos products  
6.E.2.12 mineral wool and mineral wool insulation products.

#### 6.E.3 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.E.3.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify the locations of the following, as applicable: bag house or other dust control device; recycle/sedimentation pond, clarifier or other device used for the treatment of process wastewater, and the areas that drain to the treatment device.

6.E.3.2 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) With good housekeeping prevent or minimize the discharge of: spilled cement; aggregate (including sand or gravel); kiln dust; fly ash; settled dust; or other significant material in storm water from paved portions of the site that are exposed to storm water. Consider using regular sweeping or other equivalent measures to minimize the presence of these materials. Indicate in your SWPPP the frequency of sweeping or equivalent measures. Determine the frequency from the amount of industrial activity occurring in the area and the frequency of precipitation, but it must be

performed at least once a week if cement, aggregate, kiln dust, fly ash or settled dust are being handled/processed. You must also prevent the exposure of fine granular solids (cement, fly ash, kiln dust, etc.) to storm water where practicable, by storing these materials in enclosed silos/hoppers, buildings or under other covering.

6.E.3.3 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Perform inspections while the facility is in operation and include all of the following areas exposed to storm water: material handling areas, above ground storage tanks, hoppers or silos, dust collection/containment systems, truck wash down/equipment cleaning areas.

6.E.3.4 *Certification.* (See also Part 4.4.1) For facilities producing ready-mix concrete, concrete block, brick or similar products, include in the non-storm water discharge certification a description of measures that insure that process waste water resulting from truck washing, mixers, transport buckets, forms or other equipment are discharged in accordance with NPDES requirements or are recycled.

#### 6.E.4 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)

TABLE E-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitaiton <sup>2</sup>
<b>Sector of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Clay Product Manufacturers ..... (SIC 3245–3259, 3261–3269) .....	Total Recoverable Aluminum.....	0.75 mg/L	
Concrete and Gypsum Product Manufacturers (SIC 3271–3275).	TSS .....	100 mg/L	
Cement Manufacturing Facility, Material Storage Runoff: Any discharge composed of runoff that derives from the storage of materials including raw materials, intermediate products, finished products, and waste materials that are used in or derived from the manufacture of cement.	Total Recoverable Iron .....	1.0 mg/L	
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).....	50 mg/L daily max..	
	pH .....		6.0–9.0 S.U.

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years.<sup>2</sup> Monitor once per year for each monitoring year.**6.F Sector F—Primary Metals****6.F.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges**

The requirements in Part 6.F apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Primary Metals facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector F in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

**6.F.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector F**

The types of activities under this Part are facilities primarily engaged in are:

6.F.2.1 Steel works, blast furnaces, and rolling and finishing mills including: steel wire drawing and steel nails and spikes; cold-rolled steel sheet, strip, and bars; and steel pipes and tubes;

6.F.2.2 Iron and steel foundries, including: gray and ductile iron, malleable iron, steel investment, and steel foundries not elsewhere classified;

6.F.2.3 Primary smelting and refining of nonferrous metals, including: primary smelting and refining of copper, and primary production of aluminum;

6.F.2.4 Secondary smelting and refining of nonferrous metals;

6.F.2.5 Rolling, drawing, and extruding of nonferrous metals, including: rolling, drawing, and extruding of copper; rolling, drawing and extruding of nonferrous metals except copper and aluminum; and drawing and insulating of nonferrous wire;

6.F.2.6 Nonferrous foundries (castings), including: aluminum die-casting, nonferrous die-casting, except aluminum, aluminum foundries, copper foundries, and nonferrous foundries, except copper and aluminum;

6.F.2.7 Miscellaneous primary metal products, not elsewhere classified, including: metal heat treating, and

primary metal products not elsewhere classified;

Activities covered include but are not limited to storm water discharges associated with cooking operations, sintering plants, blast furnaces, smelting operations, rolling mills, casting operations, heat treating, extruding, drawing, or forging all types of ferrous and nonferrous metals, scrap and ore.

**6.F.3 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements**

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.F.3.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Also identify where any of the following activities may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: storage or disposal of wastes such as spent solvents/baths, sand, slag/dross; liquid storage tanks/drums; processing areas including pollution control equipment (e.g., baghouses); and storage areas of raw material such as coal, coke, scrap, sand, fluxes, refractories or metal in any form. In addition, indicate where an accumulation of significant amounts of particulate matter could occur from such sources as furnace or oven emissions, losses from coal/coke handling operations, etc., and which could result in a discharge of pollutants to waters of the United States.

6.F.3.2 *Inventory of Exposed Material.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Include in the inventory of materials handled at the site that potentially may be exposed to precipitation/runoff, areas where deposition of particulate matter from process air emissions or losses during material handling activities are possible.

6.F.3.3 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1) As part of your good housekeeping program, include: a cleaning/

maintenance program for all impervious areas of the facility where particulate matter, dust or debris may accumulate, especially areas where material loading/unloading, storage, handling and processing occur; the paving of areas where vehicle traffic or material storage occur but where vegetative or other stabilization methods are not practicable (institute a sweeping program in these areas too). For unstabilized areas where sweeping is not practicable, consider using storm water management devices such as sediment traps, vegetative buffer strips, filter fabric fence, sediment filtering boom, gravel outlet protection or other equivalent measures that effectively trap or remove sediment.

6.F.3.4 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Conduct inspections routinely, or at least on a quarterly basis, and address all potential sources of pollutants, including (if applicable): air pollution control equipment (e.g., baghouses, electrostatic precipitators, scrubbers and cyclones) for any signs of degradation (e.g., leaks, corrosion or improper operation) that could limit their efficiency and lead to excessive emissions. Consider monitoring air flow at inlets/outlets (or use equivalent measures) to check for leaks (e.g., particulate deposition) or blockage in ducts. Also inspect all process and material handling equipment (e.g., conveyors, cranes and vehicles) for leaks, drips or the potential loss of material; and material storage areas (e.g., piles, bins or hoppers for storing coke, coal, scrap or slag, as well as chemicals stored in tanks/drums) for signs of material losses due to wind or storm water runoff.

**6.F.4 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)**



TABLE F-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Sector of permit affected/supplemental requirements—			
Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cutoff concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
Steel Works, Blast Furnaces, and Rolling and Finishing Mills (SIC 3312–3317). Iron and Steel Foundries (SIC 3321–3325) .....	Total Recoverable Aluminum .....	0.75 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Aluminum .....	0.75 mg/L.	
	Total Suspended Solids .....	100 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Copper .....	0.0636 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Iron .....	1.0 mg/L	
Rolling, Drawing, and Extruding of Non-Ferrous Metals (SIC 3351–3357). Non-Ferrous Foundries (SIC 3363–3369) .....	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Copper .....	0.0636 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Copper .....	0.636 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Zinc .....	0.117 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

## 6.G Sector G—Metal Mining (Ore Mining and Dressing)

### 6.G.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.G apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from active, temporarily inactive and inactive metal mining and ore dressing facilities, including mines abandoned on Federal Lands, as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector G in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1. Coverage is required for facilities that discharge storm water contaminated by contact with or that has come into contact with, any overburden, raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product located on the site of the operation.

6.G.1.1 *Covered Discharges from Inactive Facilities:* All storm water discharges.

6.G.1.2 *Covered Discharges from Active and Temporarily Inactive Facilities:* Only the storm water discharges from the following areas are covered: waste rock/overburden piles if composed entirely of storm water and not combining with mine drainage; topsoil piles; offsite haul/access roads; on-site haul/access roads constructed of waste rock/overburden/spent ore if composed entirely of storm water and not combining with mine drainage; on-site haul/access roads not constructed of waste rock/overburden/spent ore except if mine drainage is used for dust control; runoff from tailings dams/dikes when not constructed of waste rock/tailings and no process fluids are present; runoff from tailings dams/dikes when constructed of waste rock/tailings if and no process fluids are present if composed entirely of storm water and not combining with mine drainage; concentration building if no contact with material piles; mill site if no

contact with material piles; office/administrative building and housing if mixed with storm water from industrial area; chemical storage area; docking facility if no excessive contact with waste product that would otherwise constitute mine drainage; explosive storage; fuel storage; vehicle/equipment maintenance area/building; parking areas (if necessary); power plant; truck wash areas if no excessive contact with waste product that would otherwise constitute mine drainage; unreclaimed, disturbed areas outside of active mining area; reclaimed areas released from reclamation bonds prior to December 17, 1990; and partially/inadequately reclaimed areas or areas not released from reclamation bonds.

### 6.G.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector G

**Note:** “metal mining” will connote any of the separate activities listed in Part 6.G.2. The types of activities that permittees under Sector G are primarily engaged in are:

6.G.2.1 exploring for metallic minerals (ores), developing mines and the mining of ores;

6.G.2.2 ore dressing and beneficiating, whether performed at co-located, dedicated mills or separate (*i.e.*, custom) mills.

### 6.G.3 Limitations on Coverage

#### 6.G.3.1 Prohibition of Storm Water Discharges.

Storm water discharges not authorized by this permit: discharges from active metal mining facilities which are subject to effluent limitation guidelines for the Ore Mining and Dressing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 440).

**Note:** discharges that come in contact with overburden/waste rock are subject to 40 CFR Part 440, providing: the discharges drain to a point source (either naturally or as a result of intentional diversion) and they combine with “mine drainage” that is otherwise

regulated under the Part 440 regulations. Discharges from overburden/waste rock can be covered under this permit if they are composed entirely of storm water, do not combine with sources of mine drainage that are subject to 40 CFR Part 440, and meet other eligibility criteria contained in Part 1.2.2.1.

#### 6.G.3.2 Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.

Not authorized by this permit: adit drainage and contaminated springs or seeps (see also the standard Limitations on Coverage in Part 1.2.3).

### 6.G.4 Definitions

6.G.4.1 *Mining Operation*—typically consists of three phases, any one of which individually qualifies as a “mining activity.” The phases are the exploration and construction phase, the active phase, and the reclamation phase.

6.G.4.2 *Exploration and Construction Phase*—entails exploration and land disturbance activities to determine the financial viability of a site. Construction includes the building of site access roads and removal of overburden and waste rock to expose mineable minerals.

6.G.4.3 *Active Phase*—activities including each step from extraction through production of a salable product.

6.G.4.4 *Reclamation Phase*—activities intended to return the land to its pre-mining use

The following definitions are not intended to supercede the definitions of active and inactive mining facilities established by 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(iii).

6.G.4.5 *Active Metal Mining Facility*—a place where work or other activity related to the extraction, removal or recovery of metal ore is being conducted. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun.

**6.G.4.6 Inactive Metal Mining Facility**—a site or portion of a site where metal mining and/or milling occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, and where the inactive portion is not covered by an active mining permit issued by the applicable State or Federal government agency.

**6.G.4.7 Temporarily Inactive Metal Mining Facility**—a site or portion of a site where metal mining and/or milling occurred in the past but currently are not being actively undertaken, and the facility is covered by an active mining permit issued by the applicable State or Federal government agency.

### **6.G.5 Clearing, Grading and Excavation Activities**

Clearing, grading and excavation activities being conducted as part of the exploration and construction phase of a mining operation cannot be covered under this permit if these activities will disturb one or more acre of land. Instead, coverage for these activities must be under the latest version of EPA's General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Construction Activities (the "Construction General Permit;" **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, p. 7858 and for Region 6, **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, p. 36490), or an individual construction permit. If the area of disturbance during the initial phase is less than one acre, you must continue to comply with the requirements of the MSGP-2000.

**6.G.5.1 Requirements for Activities Disturbing 5 or More Acres of Earth.** If the one-acre limit as defined in Part 6.G.5 is attained, coverage for these activities must be under the latest version of EPA's Construction General Permit (or individual permit). You must first obtain and comply with the Construction General Permit's requirements before submitting the separate Construction General Permit Notice of Intent (NOI) form (EPA Form 3510-9). The February 17, 1998 version of the permit can be downloaded from the EPA's Web Site at [www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/cgp/cgp-nat.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/cgp/cgp-nat.pdf) and Region 6's July 6, 1998 version of the permit at [www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/cgp/cgp-reg6.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/cgp/cgp-reg6.pdf) or obtained from the Office of Water Resource Center at (202) 260-7786. The NOI form is also available from the Web Site at [www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/connoi.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/connoi.pdf) or from your EPA Regional office at the address listed under Part 8.3. Discharges in compliance with the provisions of the Construction General Permit are also authorized under the MSGP.

**6.G.5.2 Cessation of Earth Disturbing Activities.** If exploration phase clearing,

grading and excavation activities are completed and no further mining activities will occur at the site, you must comply with the requirements for terminating the Construction General Permit, *i.e.*, stabilize and revegetate the disturbed land, submit a Notice of Termination, etc. If active mining activities will ensue, you must apply for coverage under the MSGP-2000 for your storm water discharges and be prepared to implement any new requirements prior to beginning the active phase. It is recommended you terminate your coverage under the Construction General Permit, but it is not mandatory that you do so. If you choose not to terminate your construction General Permit, you will be responsible for complying with all permit conditions of the construction permit in addition to those of the MSGP-2000. The Notice of Termination form is Addendum E to this permit and is available at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/industry/msgp/notform.pdf>.

### **6.G.6 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements**

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

**6.G.6.1 SWPPP Requirements for Active and Temporarily Inactive Metal Mining Facilities.**

**6.G.6.1.1 Nature of Industrial Activities.** (See also Part 4.2.2.1 ) Briefly describe the mining and associated activities that can potentially affect the storm water discharges covered by this permit, including: the total acreage within the mine site; the estimated acreage of disturbed land; the estimated acreage of land proposed to be disturbed throughout the life of the mine; and a general description of the location of the site relative to major transportation routes and communities.

**6.G.6.1.2 Site Map.** (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Also identify the locations of the following (as appropriate): mining/milling site boundaries; access and haul roads; outline of the drainage areas of each storm water outfall within the facility and indicate the types of discharges from the drainage areas; equipment storage, fueling and maintenance areas; materials handling areas; outdoor manufacturing, storage or material disposal areas; chemicals and explosives storage areas; overburden, materials, soils or waste storage areas; location of mine drainage (where water leaves mine) or other process water; tailings piles/ponds (including proposed ones); heap leach pads; off-site points of discharge for mine drainage/process water; surface waters; and boundary of tributary areas that are

subject to effluent limitations guidelines.

**6.G.6.1.3 Potential Pollutant Sources.** (See also Part 4.2.4) For each area of the mine/mill site where storm water discharges associated with industrial activities occur, identify the types of pollutants (e.g., heavy metals, sediment) likely to be present in significant amounts. Consider these factors: the mineralogy of the ore and waste rock (e.g., acid forming); toxicity and quantity of chemicals used, produced or discharged; the likelihood of contact with storm water; vegetation of site (if any); history of significant leaks/spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants. Also include a summary of any existing ore or waste rock/overburden characterization data and test results for potential generation of acid rock. If any new data is acquired due to changes in ore type being mined, update your SWPPP with this information.

**6.G.6.1.4 Site Inspections.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Inspect active mining sites at least monthly. Inspect temporarily inactive sites at least quarterly unless adverse weather conditions make the site inaccessible.

**6.G.6.1.5 Employee Training.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.6) Conduct employee training at least annually at active mining and temporarily inactive sites.

**6.G.6.1.6 Controls.** (See also Part 4.2.7) Consider each of the following BMPs. The potential pollutants identified in Part 6.G.6.1.3 shall determine the priority and appropriateness of the BMPs selected. If you determine that one or more of these BMPs are not appropriate for your facility, explain why it is not appropriate. If BMPs are implemented or planned but are not listed here (e.g., substituting a less toxic chemical for a more toxic one), include descriptions of them in your SWPPP.

**6.G.6.1.6.1 Storm Water Diversions.** Consider diverting storm water away from potential pollutant sources. BMP options: interceptor/diversion controls (e.g., dikes, swales, curbs or berms); pipe slope drains; subsurface drains; conveyance systems (e.g., channels or gutters, open top box culverts and waterbars; rolling dips and road sloping; roadway surface water deflector, and culverts); or their equivalents.

**6.G.6.1.6.2 Sediment and Erosion Control.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.1) At active and temporarily inactive sites consider a range of erosion controls within the broad categories of: flow diversion (e.g., swales); stabilization (e.g., temporary or permanent seeding); and structural controls (e.g., sediment traps, dikes, silt fences).

6.G.6.1.6.3 *Management of Runoff.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.2) Consider the potential pollutant sources given in Part 6.G.6.1.3 when determining reasonable and appropriate measures for managing runoff.

6.G.6.1.6.4 *Capping.* When capping is necessary to minimize pollutant discharges in storm water, identify the source being capped and the material used to construct the cap.

6.G.6.1.6.5 *Treatment.* If treatment of storm water (e.g., chemical or physical systems, oil/water separators, artificial wetlands, etc.) from active and temporarily inactive sites is necessary to protect water quality, describe the type and location of treatment used.

6.G.6.1.6.6 *Certification of Discharge Testing.* (See also Part 4.4.1) Test or evaluate for the presence of specific mining-related non-storm water discharges such as seeps or adit discharges or discharges subject to effluent limitations guidelines (e.g., 40 CFR Part 440), such as mine drainage or process water. Alternatively (if applicable), you may certify in your SWPPP that a particular discharge comprised of commingled storm water and non-storm water is covered under a separate NPDES permit; and that permit subjects the non-storm water portion to effluent limitations prior to any commingling. This certification shall identify the non-storm water discharges, the applicable NPDES permit(s), the effluent limitations placed on the non-storm water discharge by the permit(s), and the points at which the limitations are applied.

#### 6.G.6.2 SWPPP Requirements for Inactive Metal Mining Facilities.

6.G.6.2.1 *Nature of Industrial Activities.* (See also Part 4.2.2.1) Briefly describe the mining and associated activities that took place at the site that can potentially affect the storm water discharges covered by this permit. Include: approximate dates of operation; total acreage within the mine and/or processing site; estimate of acres of disturbed earth; activities currently occurring onsite (e.g., reclamation); a general description of site location with respect to transportation routes and communities.

6.G.6.2.2 *Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) See Part 6.G.6.1.2 for requirements.

6.G.6.2.3 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4) See Part 6.G.6.1.3 for requirements.

6.G.6.2.4 *Controls.* (See also Part 4.2.7) Consider each of the following BMPs. The potential pollutants identified in Part 6.G.6.2.3 shall determine the priority and appropriateness of the BMPs selected. If you determine that one or more of these BMPs are not appropriate for your facility, explain why it is not appropriate. If BMPs are implemented or planned but are not listed here (e.g., substituting a less toxic chemical for a more toxic one), include descriptions of them in your SWPPP. The non-structural controls in the general requirements at Part 4.2.7.2.1 are not required for inactive facilities.

6.G.6.2.4.1 *Storm Water Diversions.* See Part 6.G.6.1.6.2 for requirements.

6.G.6.2.4.2 *Sediment and Erosion Control.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.1) See Part 6.G.6.1.6 for requirements.

6.G.6.2.4.3 *Management of Runoff.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.2)

Also consider the potential pollutant sources as described in Part 6.G.6.2.3 (Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources) when determining reasonable and appropriate measures for managing runoff.

6.G.6.2.4.4 *Capping.* See Part 6.G.6.1.7 for requirements.

6.G.6.2.4.5 *Treatment.* See Part 6.G.6.1.8 for requirements.

6.G.6.2.5 *Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.* (See also Part 4.9)

Annual site compliance evaluations may be impractical for inactive mining sites due to remote location/inaccessibility of the site; in which case conduct the evaluation at least once every 3 years. Document in the SWPPP why annual compliance evaluations are not possible. If the evaluations will be conducted more often than every 3 years, specify the frequency of evaluations.

#### 6.G.7 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)

6.G.7.1 *Analytic Monitoring for Copper Ore Mining and Dressing Facilities.* Active copper ore mining and dressing facilities must sample and analyze storm water discharges for the pollutants listed in Table G-1.

TABLE G-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING FOR COPPER ORE MINING AND DRESSING FACILITIES

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Copper Ore Mining and Dressing Facilities ..... (SIC 1021) .....	Total Suspended Solids (TSS). Nitrate plus Nitrite Nitrogen Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD).	100 mg/L. 0.68 mg/L. 120 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

6.G.7.2 *Analytic Monitoring Requirements for Discharges From Waste Rock and Overburden Piles at Active Ore Mining and Dressing Facilities.* For discharges from waste rock and overburden piles, perform analytic monitoring at least once within the first year of permit coverage for the parameters listed in Table G-2, and twice annually thereafter for any

parameters measured above the benchmark value (based on the initial sampling event) listed in Table G-2. Permittees must also conduct analytic monitoring twice annually for the parameters listed in Table G-3. The twice annual samples must be collected once between January 1 and June 30 and once between July 1 and December 31, with at least 3 months separating the

storm events. The director may, however, notify you that you must perform additional monitoring to accurately characterize the quality and quantity of pollutants discharged from your waste rock/overburden piles. Monitoring requirements for discharges from waste rock and overburden piles are not eligible for the waivers in Part 5.3.2.

TABLE G-2.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING FOR DISCHARGES FROM WASTE ROCK AND OVERBURDEN PILES FROM ACTIVE ORE MINING OR DRESSING FACILITIES

Part of permit affected/supplemental requirements—			
Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cutoff concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
Iron Ores; Copper Ores; Lead and Zinc Ores; Gold and Silver Ores; Ferroalloy Ores Except Vanadium; Miscellaneous Metal Ores (SIC Codes 1011, 1021, 1031, 1041, 1044, 1061, 1081, 1094, 1099). See above, as applicable .....	Total Suspended Solids (TSS) .....	100 mg/L.	
	Turbidity (NTUs) .....	5 NTUs above background.	
	pH .....	6.0–9.0 standard units.	
	Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) .....	no benchmark value.	
	Antimony, Total .....	0.636 mg/L.	
	Arsenic, Total .....	0.16854 mg/L.	
	Beryllium, Total .....	0.13 mg/L.	
	Cadmium, Total (hardness dependent) ..	0.0159 mg/L.	
	Copper, Total (hardness dependent) .....	0.0636 mg/L.	
	Iron, Total .....	1.0 mg/L.	
	Lead, Total (hardness dependent) .....	0.0816 mg/L.	
	Manganese, Total .....	1.0 mg/L.	
	Mercury, Total .....	0.0024 mg/L.	
	Nickel, Total (hardness dependent) .....	1.417 mg/L.	
	Selenium, Total .....	0.2385 mg/L.	
	Silver, Total (hardness dependent) .....	0.318 mg/L.	
	Zinc, Total (hardness dependent) .....	0.117 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor at least once during the first year of permit coverage, and twice annually thereafter for any parameter that exceeds the benchmark value. Facilities that monitored for the full list of Table G-2 parameters during the previous permit need not sample the entire list again, however they must continue twice annual monitoring for parameters that exceeded the benchmark values in the initial sampling event.

6.G.7.2.1 Additional Analytic Monitoring Requirements for Discharges From Waste Rock and Overburden Piles. Table G-3 contains additional monitoring requirements for specific ore

mine categories. Perform the monitoring twice annually using the schedule established in Part 6.G.7.2. The initial sampling event for a pollutant

parameter required in Table G-2 satisfies the requirement for the first sample of any pollutant measurement in Table G-3.

TABLE G-3.—ADDITIONAL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGES FROM WASTE ROCK AND OVERBURDEN PILES FROM ACTIVE ORE MINING OR DRESSING FACILITIES

Supplemental requirements—			
Type of Ore mined	Pollutants of concern		
	Total suspended solids (TSS)	pH	Metals, total
Tungsten Ore .....	X	X	Arsenic, Cadmium (H), Copper (H), Lead (H), Zinc (H).
Nickel Ore .....	X	X	Arsenic, Cadmium (H), Copper (H), Lead (H), Zinc (H).
Aluminum Ore .....	X	X	Iron.
Mercury Ore .....	X	X	Nickel (H).
Iron Ore .....	X	X	Iron (Dissolved).
Platinum Ore .....	.....	.....	Cadmium (H), Copper (H), Mercury, Lead (H), Zinc (H).
Titanium Ore .....	X	X	Iron, Nickel (H), Zinc (H).
Vanadium Ore .....	X	X	Arsenic, Cadmium (H), Copper (H), Zinc (H).
Copper, Lead, Zinc, Gold, Silver and Molybdenum .....	X	X	Arsenic, Cadmium (H), Copper (H), Lead, Mercury, Zinc (H).
Uranium, Radium and Vanadium .....	X	X	Chemical Oxygen Demand, Arsenic, Radium (Dissolved and Total), Uranium, Zinc (H).

Note: (H) indicates that hardness must also be measured when this pollutant is measured.

6.G.7.2.2 *Reporting Requirements* Storm Water Discharges From Waste Rock And Overburden Piles From Active Ore Mining or Dressing Facilities. From active ore mining and dressing facilities,

submit monitoring results for each outfall discharging storm water from waste rock and overburden piles, or certifications in accordance with Part 7. Submit monitoring reports on discharge

monitoring report (DMR) forms postmarked no later than January 28 of the next year after the samples were collected.

TABLE G-4.—APPLICABILITY OF THE MULTI-SECTOR GENERAL PERMIT TO STORM WATER RUNOFF FROM ACTIVE ORE (METAL) MINING AND DRESSING SITES

Discharge/source of discharge	Note/comment
Piles	
Waste rock/overburden .....	If composed entirely of storm water and not combining with mine drainage. See Note below.
Topsoil	
Roads constructed of waste rock or spent ore	
Onsite haul roads .....	If composed entirely of storm water and not combining with mine drainage. See Note below.
Offsite haul/access roads	
Roads not constructed of waste rock or spent ore	
Onsite haul roads .....	Except if “mine drainage” is used for dust control.
Offsite haul/access roads	
Milling/concentrating	
Runoff from tailings dams/dikes when constructed of waste rock/tailings .....	Except if process fluids are present and only if composed entirely of storm water and not combining with mine drainage. See Note below.
Runoff from tailings dams/dikes when not constructed of waste rock/tailings .....	
Concentration building .....	Except if process fluids are present.
Mill site .....	If storm water only and no contact with piles.
Ancillary areas	
Office/administrative building and housing .....	If mixed with storm water from the industrial area.
Chemical storage area	
Docking facility .....	Except if excessive contact with waste product that would otherwise constitute “mine drainage”.
Explosive storage	
Fuel storage (oil tanks/coal piles)	But coverage unnecessary if only employee and visitor-type parking.
Vehicle/equipment maintenance area/building	
Parking areas .....	Except when excessive contact with waste product that would otherwise constitute “mine drainage”.
Power plant	
Truck wash area .....	
Reclamation-related areas	
Any disturbed area (unreclaimed) .....	Only if not in active mining area.
Reclaimed areas released from reclamation bonds prior to Dec. 17 1990.	
Partially/inadequately reclaimed areas or areas not released from reclamation bond.	

Note: Storm water runoff from these sources are subject to the NPDES program for storm water unless mixed with discharges subject to the 40 CFR Part 440 that are not regulated by another permit prior to mixing. Non-storm water discharges from these sources are subject to NPDES permitting and may be subject to the effluent limitation guidelines under 40 CFR Part 440.

Discharges from overburden/waste rock and overburden/waste rock-related areas are not subject to 40 CFR Part 440 unless: (1) it drains naturally (or is intentionally diverted) to a point source; and (2) combines with "mine drainage" that is otherwise regulated under the Part 440 regulations. For such sources, coverage under this permit would be available if the discharge composed entirely of storm water does not combine with other sources of mine drainage that are not subject to 40 CFR Part 440, as well as meeting other eligibility criteria contained in Part I.B. of the permit. Permit applicants bear the initial responsibility for determining the applicable technology-based standard for such discharges. EPA recommends that permit applicants contact the relevant NPDES permit issuance authority for assistance to determine the nature and scope of the "active mining area" on a mine-by-mine basis, as well as to determine the appropriate permitting mechanism for authorizing such discharges.

**6.H Sector H—Coal Mines and Coal Mining Related Facilities****6.H.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges**

The requirements in Part 6.H apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Coal Mines and Coal Mining Related facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector H in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

**6.H.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector H**

Storm water discharges from the following portions of coal mines may be eligible for this permit:

6.H.2.1 Haul roads (nonpublic roads on which coal or coal refuse is conveyed);

6.H.2.2 Access roads (nonpublic roads providing light vehicular traffic within the facility property and to public roadways);

6.H.2.3 Railroad spurs, siding and internal haulage lines (rail lines used for hauling coal within the facility property and to offsite commercial railroad lines or loading areas);

6.H.2.4 Conveyor belts, chutes and aerial tramway haulage areas (areas under and around coal or refuse conveyor areas, including transfer stations); and

6.H.2.5 Equipment storage and maintenance yards, coal handling buildings and structures, and inactive coal mines and related areas (abandoned and other inactive mines, refuse disposal sites and other mining-related areas).

**6.H.3 Limitation on Coverage**

6.H.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.2.2) Not covered by this permit: discharges from pollutant seeps or underground drainage from inactive coal mines and refuse disposal areas that do not result from precipitation events; and discharges from floor drains in maintenance buildings and other similar

drains in mining and preparation plant areas.

6.H.3.2 *Discharges Subject to Storm Water Effluent Guidelines.* (See also Part 1.2.3.4) Not authorized by this permit: storm water discharges subject to an existing effluent limitation guideline at 40 CFR Part 434.

**6.H.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements**

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4 of the MSGP.

6.H.4.1 *Other Applicable Regulations.* Most active coal mining-related areas (SIC Codes 1221–1241) are subject to sediment and erosion control regulations of the U.S. Office of Surface Mining (OSM) that enforces the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (SMCRA). OSM has granted authority to most coal producing states to implement SMCRA through State SMCRA regulations. All SMCRA requirements regarding control of storm water-related pollutant discharges must be addressed in the SWPPP (directly or by reference).

6.H.4.2 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Also identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: all applicable mining related areas described in Part 6.H.2; acidic spoil, refuse or unreclaimed disturbed areas, and liquid storage tanks containing pollutants such as caustics, hydraulic fluids and lubricants.

6.H.4.3 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Describe the following sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them: truck traffic on haul roads and resulting generation of sediment subject to runoff and dust generation; fuel or other liquid storage; pressure lines containing slurry, hydraulic fluid or other potential harmful liquids; and loading or temporary storage of acidic refuse/spoil.

6.H.4.4 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1) As part of your good housekeeping program, consider: using sweepers; covered storage; watering haul roads to minimize dust generation; and conserving vegetation (where possible) to minimize erosion.

6.H.4.5 *Preventive Maintenance.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.3) Also perform inspections of storage tanks and pressure lines of fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluid or slurry to prevent leaks due to deterioration or faulty connections; or other equivalent measures.

6.H.4.6 *Inspections of Active Mining-Related Areas and Inactive Areas Under SMCRA Bond Authority.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Perform quarterly inspections of areas covered by this permit, corresponding with the inspections, as performed by SMCRA inspectors, of all mining-related areas required by SMCRA. Also maintain the records of the SMCRA authority representative.

6.H.4.7 *Sediment and Erosion Control.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.1) As indicated in Part 6.H.4.1 above, SMCRA requirements regarding sediment and erosion control measures are primary requirements of the SWPPP for mining-related areas subject to SMCRA authority.

6.H.4.8 *Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.* (See also Part 4.9.2) Include in your evaluation program, inspections for pollutants entering the drainage system from activities located on or near coal mining-related areas. Among the areas to be inspected: haul and access roads; railroad spurs, sliding and internal hauling lines; conveyor belts, chutes and aerial tramways; equipment storage and maintenance yards; coal handling buildings/structures; and inactive mines and related areas.

**6.H.6 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)**

TABLE H–1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cutoff concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Coal Mines and Related Areas ..... (SIC 1221–1241) .....	Total Recoverable Aluminum ..... Total Recoverable Iron ..... Total Suspended Solids .....	0.75 mg/L. 1.0 mg/L. 100 mg/L..	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

## **6.I Sector I—Oil and Gas Extraction and Refining**

### **6.I.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges**

The requirements in Part 6.I apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Oil and Gas Extraction and Refining facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector I in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### **6.I.2 Industrial Activities Covered By Sector I**

The types of activities that permittees under Sector I are primarily engaged in are:

6.I.2.1 Oil and gas exploration, production, processing or treatment operations, or transmission facilities;

6.I.2.2 Extraction and production of crude oil, natural gas, oil sands and shale; the production of hydrocarbon liquids and natural gas from coal; and associated oil field service, supply and repair industries.

### **6.I.3 Limitations On Coverage**

6.I.3.1 *Prohibition of Storm Water Discharges.* This permit does not authorize contaminated storm water discharges from petroleum refining or drilling operations that are subject to nationally established BAT or BPT guidelines found at 40 CFR Parts 419 and 435, respectively. Note: most contaminated discharges at petroleum refining and drilling facilities are subject to these effluent guidelines and are not eligible for coverage by this permit.

6.I.3.2 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* Not authorized by this permit: discharges of vehicle and equipment washwater, including tank cleaning operations.

Alternatively, washwater discharges must be authorized under a separate NPDES permit, or be discharged to a sanitary sewer in accordance with applicable industrial pretreatment requirements.

### **6.I.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements**

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.I.4.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: Reportable Quantity (RQ) releases; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes; processing areas and storage areas; chemical mixing areas; construction and drilling areas; all areas subject to the effluent guidelines requirements for “No Discharge” in accordance with 40 CFR 435.32; and the

structural controls to achieve compliance with the “No Discharge” requirements.

6.I.4.2 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4)

Also describe the following sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them: chemical, cement, mud or gel mixing activities; drilling or mining activities; and equipment cleaning and rehabilitation activities. In addition, include information about the RQ release that triggered the permit application requirements; the nature of release (e.g., spill of oil from a drum storage area); the amount of oil or hazardous substance released; amount of substance recovered; date of the release; cause of the release (e.g., poor handling techniques and lack of containment in the area); areas affected by the release (i.e., land and water); procedure to clean up release; actions or procedures implemented to prevent or improve response to a release; and remaining potential contamination of storm water from release (taking into account human health risks, the control of drinking water intakes and the designated uses of the receiving water).

6.I.4.3 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5)

6.I.4.3.1 *Inspection Frequency.* Inspect all equipment and areas addressed in the SWPPP at a minimum of 6-month intervals. Routinely (but not less than quarterly) inspect equipment and vehicles which store, mix (including all on and offsite mixing tanks) or transport chemicals/hazardous materials (including those transporting supplies to oil field activities).

6.I.4.3.2 *Temporarily or Permanently Inactive Oil and Gas Extraction Facilities.* For these facilities that are remotely located and unstaffed, perform the inspections at least annually.

6.I.4.4 *Sediment and Erosion Control.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.1) Unless covered by the General Permit for Construction Activity, the additional sediment and erosion control requirements for well drillings, and sand/shale mining areas include the following:

6.I.4.4.1 *Site Description:* Also include: a description of the nature of the exploration activity; estimates of the total area of site and area disturbed due to exploration activity; an estimate of runoff coefficient of the site; site drainage map, including approximate slopes; and the name of all receiving waters. All sediment and erosion control measures must be inspected once every seven days.

6.I.4.4.2 *Vegetative Controls:* Describe and implement vegetative practices designed to preserve existing vegetation where attainable and re-vegetate open areas as soon as practicable after grade drilling. Consider the following (or equivalent measures): temporary or permanent seeding, mulching, sod stabilization, vegetative buffer strips, tree protection practices. Begin implementing appropriate vegetative practices on all disturbed areas within 14 days following the last activity in that area.

6.I.4.5 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1)

6.I.4.5.1 *Vehicle and Equipment Storage Areas.* Confine vehicles/equipment awaiting or having undergone maintenance to designated areas (as marked on site map). Describe and implement measures to minimize contaminants from these areas (e.g., drip pans under equipment, indoor storage, use of berms or dikes, or other equivalent measures).

6.I.4.5.2 *Material and Chemical Storage Areas.* Maintain these areas in good conditions to prevent contamination of storm water. Plainly label all hazardous materials.

6.I.4.5.3 *Chemical Mixing Areas.* (See also Part 4.4)

Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of storm water runoff from chemical mixing areas.

## **6.J Sector J—Mineral Mining and Dressing**

### **6.J.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges**

The requirements in Part 6.J apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from active and inactive mineral mining and dressing facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector J in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### **6.J.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector J**

The types of activities that permittees under Sector J are primarily engaged in are:

6.J.2.1 exploring for minerals (e.g., stone, sand, clay, chemical and fertilizer minerals, non-metallic minerals, etc.), developing mines and the mining of minerals; and

6.J.2.2 mineral dressing, and non-metallic mineral services.

### **6.J.3 Limitations on Coverage**

Not authorized by this permit: most storm water discharges subject to an existing effluent limitation guideline at 40 CFR part 436. The exceptions to this limitation and which are therefore covered by the MSGP–2000 are mine



dewatering discharges composed entirely of storm water or ground water seepage from: construction sand and gravel, industrial sand, and crushed stone mining facilities in Regions 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 9, and 10.

#### 6.J.4 Definitions

6.J.4.1 *Mining Operation*—typically consists of three-phases, any one of which individually qualifies as a “mining activity.” The phases are the exploration and construction phase, the active phase and the reclamation phase.

6.J.4.2 *Exploration and Construction Phase*—entails exploration and land disturbance activities to determine the financial viability of a site. Construction includes the building of site access roads and removal of overburden and waste rock to expose mineable minerals.

6.J.4.3 *Active Phase*—activities including each step from extraction through production of a salable product.

6.J.4.4 *Reclamation phase*—activities intended to return the land to its pre-mining state.

**Note:** The following definitions are not intended to supercede the definitions of active and inactive mining facilities established by 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(iii).

6.J.4.5 *Active Mineral Mining Facility*—a place where work or other activity related to the extraction, removal or recovery of minerals is being conducted. This definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun.

6.J.4.6 *Inactive Mineral Mining Facility*—a site or portion of a site where mineral mining and/or dressing occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, and where the inactive portion is not covered by an active permit issued by the applicable State or Federal government agency.

6.J.4.7 *Temporarily Inactive Mineral Mining Facility*—a site or portion of a site where mineral mining and/or dressing occurred in the past but currently are not being actively undertaken, and the facility is covered by an active mining permit issued by

the applicable State or Federal government agency.

#### 6.J.5 Clearing, Grading and Excavation Activities

Clearing, grading and excavation activities being conducted as part of the exploration and construction phase of a mineral mining operation cannot be covered under this permit if these activities will disturb one or more acre of land. Instead, coverage for these activities must be under the latest version of EPA's General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Construction Activities (the “Construction General Permit;” **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, p. 7858) and, for Region 6, **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, p. 36490), or an individual construction permit. If the area of disturbance during the initial phase is less than one acre, you must continue to comply with the requirements of the MSGP-2000.

6.J.5.1 *Obtaining Coverage Under the Construction General Permit.* If the one-acre limit as described in Part 6.J.5 is attained, coverage for these activities must be under the latest version of EPA's Construction General Permit (or individual permit). You must first obtain and comply with the Construction General Permit's requirements before submitting the separate Construction General Permit Notice of Intent (NOI) form (EPA Form 3510-9). The February 17, 1998 version of the permit can be downloaded from the EPA's Web Site at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/cgp/cgp-nat.pdf> or obtained from the Office of Water Resource Center at (202) 260-7786. The NOI form is also available from the Web Site at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/construction/connoi.pdf> or from your EPA Regional office at the address listed under Part 8.3. Discharges in compliance with the provisions of the Construction General Permit are also authorized under the MSGP.

6.J.5.2 *Cessation of Exploration and Construction Activities.* If exploration

phase clearing, grading and excavation activities are completed and no further mining activities will occur at the site, you must comply with the requirements for terminating the Construction General Permit, *i.e.*, stabilize and revegetate the disturbed land, submit a Notice of Termination, etc. If active mining operations will ensue, you must apply for coverage under the MSGP-2000 for your storm water discharges and be prepared to implement any new requirements prior to beginning the active phase. It is recommended you terminate your coverage under the construction general permit, but you are not required to do so. If you choose to not terminate, you will be responsible for complying with all permit conditions of the construction permit in addition to those of the MSGP-2000. The Notice of Termination form is available in Addendum F to this permit and at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/sw/industry/msgp/notform.pdf>.

#### 6.J.6 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4 of the MSGP.

6.J.6.1 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Conduct quarterly visual inspections of all BMPs at active mining facilities. At temporarily or permanently inactive facilities, perform annual inspections. Include in your inspection program: assessment of the integrity of storm water discharge diversions, conveyance systems, sediment control and collection systems and containment structures; inspections to determine if soil erosion has occurred at, or as a result of vegetative BMPs, serrated slopes and benched slopes; inspections of material handling and storage areas and other potential sources of pollution for evidence of actual or potential discharges of contaminated storm water.

#### 6.J.7 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)

TABLE J-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation <sup>2</sup>
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Mine Dewatering Activities at Construction Sand and Gravel; Industrial Sand; and Crushed Stone Mining Facilities (SIC 1422-1429, 1442, 1446).	Total Suspended Solids ....	.....	25 mg/L, monthly avg. 45 mg/L, daily max 6.0-9.0
Sand and Gravel Mining (SIC 1442, 1446) .....	Nitrate plus Nitrogen .....	0.68 mg/L.	
	Total Suspended Solids ....	100 mg/L.	

TABLE J-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING—Continued

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation <sup>2</sup>
Dimension and Crushed Stone and Nonmetallic Minerals (except fuels) (SIC 1411, 1422–1429, 1481, 1499).	Total Suspended Solids ....	100 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

<sup>2</sup> Monitor once/year for Each Monitoring Year.

## 6.K Sector K—Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage or Disposal Facilities

### 6.K.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.K apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage or Disposal facilities as identified by the Activity Code specified under Sector K in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.K.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector K

This permit authorizes storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from facilities that treat, store or dispose of hazardous wastes, including those that are operating under interim status or a permit under subtitle C of RCRA.

### 6.K.3 Limitations on Coverage

For facilities located in Region 6, coverage is limited to Hazardous Waste Treatment Storage or Disposal Facilities (TSDF's) that are self-generating or handle residential wastes only and to those facilities that only store hazardous wastes and do not treat or dispose. Those permits are issued by EPA Region 6 for Louisiana (LAR05\*###), New Mexico (NMR05\*###), Oklahoma (OKR05\*###), and Federal Indian Reservations in these States (LAR05\*##F, NMR05\*##F, OKR05\*##F, or TXR05\*##F). Coverage under this permit is not available to commercial hazardous waste disposal/treatment facilities located in Region 6 that dispose and treat on a commercial basis any produced hazardous wastes (not their own) as a service to generators.

6.K.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.3.1) Not authorized by this permit: leachate, gas collection condensate, drained free liquids, contaminated ground water,

laboratory-derived wastewater and contact washwater from washing truck and railcar exteriors and surface areas which have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility.

### 6.K.4 Definitions

6.K.4.1 *Contaminated storm water*—storm water which comes in direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater as defined in Part 6.K.4.5. Some specific areas of a landfill that may produce contaminated storm water include (but are not limited to): the open face of an active landfill with exposed waste (no cover added); the areas around wastewater treatment operations; trucks, equipment or machinery that has been in direct contact with the waste; and waste dumping areas.

6.K.4.2 *Drained free liquids*—aqueous wastes drained from waste containers (e.g., drums, etc.) prior to landfilling.

6.K.4.3 *Land treatment facility*—a facility or part of a facility at which hazardous waste is applied onto or incorporated into the soil surface; such facilities are disposal facilities if the waste will remain after closure.

6.K.4.4 *Landfill*—an area of land or an excavation in which wastes are placed for permanent disposal, that is not a land application or land treatment unit, surface impoundment, underground injection well, waste pile, salt dome formation, a salt bed formation, an underground mine or a cave as these terms are defined in 40 CFR 257.2, 258.2 and 260.10.

6.K.4.5 *Landfill wastewater*—as defined in 40 CFR Part 445 (Landfills Point Source Category) all wastewater associated with, or produced by, landfilling activities except for sanitary wastewater, non-contaminated storm water, contaminated groundwater, and

wastewater from recovery pumping wells. Landfill wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate, gas collection condensate, drained free liquids, laboratory derived wastewater, contaminated storm water and contact washwater from washing truck, equipment, and railcar exteriors and surface areas which have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility.

6.K.4.6 *Leachate*—liquid that has passed through or emerged from solid waste and contains soluble, suspended, or miscible materials removed from such waste.

6.K.4.7 *Non-contaminated storm water*—storm water which does not come into direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater as defined in Part 6.K.4.5. Non-contaminated storm water includes storm water which flows off the cap, cover, intermediate cover, daily cover, and/or final cover of the landfill.

6.K.4.8 *Pile*—any non-containerized accumulation of solid, nonflowing hazardous waste that is used for treatment or storage and that is not a containment building.

6.K.4.9 *Surface impoundment*—a facility or part of a facility which is a natural topographic depression, man-made excavation or diked area formed primarily of earthen materials (although it may be lined with man-made materials), which is designed to hold an accumulation of liquid wastes or wastes containing free liquids, and which is not an injection well. Examples of surface impoundments are holding, storage, settling, and aeration pits, ponds and lagoons.

### 6.K.5 Numeric Limitations, Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)

TABLE K-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK AND COMPLIANCE MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut- off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation <sup>2</sup>
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
ALL—Industrial Activity Code .....	Ammonia .....	19.0 mg/L	
“HZ” (Note: permit coverage limited in some States) ....	Total Recoverable Magne- sium.	0.0636 mg/L	
	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD).	120.0 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Arsenic	0.16854 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Cad- mium.	0.0159 mg/L	
	Total Cyanide .....	0.0636 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Lead ....	0.0816 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Mercury	0.0024 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Sele- nium.	0.2385 mg/L	
	Total Recoverable Silver ...	0.0318 mg/L	
ALL—Industrial Activity Code .....	BOD5 .....		220 mg/l, daily max.
“HZ” Subject to the Provisions of 40 CFR Part 445 Subpart A.			56 mg/l, monthly avg. max- imum.
	TSS .....		88 mg/l, daily max. 27 mg/l, monthly avg. max- imum.
	Ammonia .....		10 mg/l, daily maximum. 4.9 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Alpha Terpineol .....		0.042 mg/l, daily max. 0.019 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Aniline .....		0.024 mg/l, daily max. 0.015 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Benzoic Acid .....		0.119 mg/l, daily max. 0.073 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Naphthalene .....		0.059 mg/l, daily max. 0.022 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	p-Cresol .....		0.024 mg/l, daily max. 0.015 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Phenol .....		0.048 mg/l, daily max. 0.029 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Pyridine .....		0.072 mg/l, daily max. 0.025 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Arsenic (Total) .....		1.1 mg/l, daily maximum. 0.54 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Chromium (Total) .....		1.1 mg/l, daily maximum. 0.46 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	Zinc (Total) .....		0.535 mg/l, daily max. 0.296 mg/l, monthly avg. maximum.
	pH .....		Within the range of 6–9 pH units.

<sup>1</sup> These benchmark monitoring cutoff concentrations apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity other than contaminated storm water discharges from landfills subject to the numeric effluent limitations set forth in Table K-1. Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years.

<sup>2</sup> As set forth at 40 CFR Part 445 Subpart A, these numeric limitations apply to contaminated storm water discharges from hazardous waste landfills subject to the provisions of RCRA Subtitle C at 40 CFR Parts 264 (Subpart N) and 265 (Subpart N) except for any of the facilities described below:

(a) Landfills operated in conjunction with other industrial or commercial operations when the landfill only receives wastes generated by the industrial or commercial operation directly associated with the landfill;

(b) Landfills operated in conjunction with other industrial or commercial operations when the landfill receives wastes generated by the industrial or commercial operation directly associated with the landfill and also receives other wastes provided the other wastes received for disposal are generated by a facility that is subject to the same provisions in 40 CFR Subchapter N as the industrial or commercial operation or the other wastes received are of similar nature to the wastes generated by the industrial or commercial operation;

(c) Landfills operated in conjunction with Centralized Waste Treatment (CWT) facilities subject to 40 CFR Part 437 so long as the CWT facility commingles the landfill wastewater with other non-landfill wastewater for discharge. A landfill directly associated with a CWT facility is subject to this part if the CWT facility discharges landfill wastewater separately from other CWT wastewater or commingles the wastewater from its landfill only with wastewater from other landfills; or

(d) Landfills operated in conjunction with other industrial or commercial operations when the landfill receives wastes from public service activities so long as the company owning the landfill does not receive a fee or other remuneration for the disposal service.

For the discharges subject to the numeric effluent limitations, monitoring for the specified parameters is required once/year during each year of the term of the permit.

## **6.L Sector L—Landfills, Land Application Sites and Open Dumps**

### **6.L.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges**

The requirements in Part 6.L apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Landfills and Land Application Sites and Open Dumps as identified by the Activity Codes specified under Sector L in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### **6.L.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector L**

This permit may authorize storm water discharges for Sector L facilities associated with waste disposal at landfills, land application sites and open dumps that receive or have received industrial waste, including sites subject to regulation under Subtitle D of RCRA.

### **6.L.3 Limitations on Coverage**

#### **6.L.3.1 Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.** (See also Part 1.2.3.1)

Not authorized by this permit: leachate, gas collection condensate, drained free liquids, contaminated ground water, laboratory wastewater, and contact washwater from washing truck and railcar exteriors and surface areas which have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility.

### **6.L.4 Definitions**

**6.L.4.1 Contaminated storm water**—storm water which comes in direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater. Some specific areas of a landfill that may produce contaminated storm water include (but are not limited to): the open face of an active landfill with exposed waste (no cover added); the areas around wastewater treatment operations; trucks, equipment or machinery that has been in direct contact with the waste; and waste dumping areas.

**6.L.4.2 Drained free liquids**—aqueous wastes drained from waste containers (e.g., drums, etc.) prior to landfilling.

**6.L.4.3 Landfill wastewater**—as defined in 40 CFR Part 445 (Landfills Point Source Category) all wastewater

associated with, or produced by, landfilling activities except for sanitary wastewater, non-contaminated storm water, contaminated groundwater, and wastewater from recovery pumping wells. Landfill process wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate, gas collection condensate, drained free liquids, laboratory derived wastewater, contaminated storm water and contact washwater from washing truck, equipment and railcar exteriors and surface areas which have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility.

**6.L.4.4 Leachate**—liquid that has passed through or emerged from solid waste and contains soluble, suspended or miscible materials removed from such waste.

**6.L.4.5 Non-contaminated storm water**—storm water which does not come in direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater. Non-contaminated storm water includes storm water which flows off the cap, cover, intermediate cover, daily cover, and/or final cover of the landfill.

### **6.L.5 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements**

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

#### **6.L.5.1 Drainage Area Site Map.** (See also Part 4.2.2.3)

Identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: Active and closed landfill cells or trenches, active and closed land application areas, locations where open dumping is occurring or has occurred, locations of any known leachate springs or other areas where uncontrolled leachate may commingle with runoff, leachate collection and handling systems.

#### **6.L.5.2 Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources.** (See also Part 4.2.4)

Describe the following sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them: fertilizer, herbicide and pesticide application; earth/soil moving; waste hauling and loading/unloading; outdoor storage of significant materials including daily, interim and final cover material stockpiles as well as temporary waste storage areas; exposure of active and inactive landfill and land application areas; uncontrolled leachate flows;

failure or leaks from leachate collection and treatment systems.

#### **6.L.5.3 Good Housekeeping Measures.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1)

As part of your good housekeeping program, consider providing protected storage areas for pesticides, herbicides, fertilizer and other significant materials.

#### **6.L.5.4 Preventative Maintenance Program.** (See also Part 4.2.7.1)

As part of your preventive maintenance program, maintain: all containers used for outdoor chemical/significant materials storage to prevent leaking; all elements of leachate collection and treatment systems to prevent commingling of leachate with storm water; the integrity and effectiveness of any intermediate or final cover (including repairing the cover as necessary to minimize the effects of settlement, sinking and erosion).

#### **6.L.5.5 Inspections.**

**6.L.5.5.1 Inspections of Active Sites.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Inspect operating landfills, open dumps and land application sites at least once every 7 days. Focus on areas of landfills that have not yet been finally stabilized, active land application areas, areas used for storage of material/wastes that are exposed to precipitation, stabilization and structural control measures, leachate collection and treatment systems, and locations where equipment and waste trucks enter/exit the site. Ensure that sediment and erosion control measures are operating properly. For stabilized sites and areas where land application has been completed, or where the climate is seasonally arid (annual rainfall averages from 0 to 10 inches) or semi-arid (annual rainfall averages from 10 to 20 inches), conduct inspections at least once every month.

**6.L.5.5.2 Inspections of Inactive Sites.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Inspect inactive landfills, open dumps and land application sites at least quarterly. Qualified personnel must inspect landfill (or open dump) stabilization and structural erosion control measures and leachate collection and treatment systems, and all closed land application areas.

**6.L.5.6 Recordkeeping and Internal Reporting.** Implement a tracking system for the types of wastes disposed of in each cell or trench of a landfill or open dump. For land application sites, track

the types and quantities of wastes applied in specific areas.

6.L.5.7 *Non-Storm Water Discharge Test Certification.* (See also Part 4.) The discharge test and certification must also be conducted for the presence of leachate and vehicle washwater.

6.L.5.8 *Sediment and Erosion Control Plan.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.1) Provide temporary stabilization (e.g., consider temporary seeding, mulching

and placing geotextiles on the inactive portions of stockpiles); for materials stockpiled for daily, intermediate and final cover; for inactive areas of the landfill or open dump; for any landfill or open dump area that have gotten final covers but where vegetation has yet to established itself; and where waste application has been completed at land application sites but final vegetation has not yet been established.

6.L.5.9 *Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.* (See also Part 4.9.2) Evaluate areas contributing to a storm water discharge associated with industrial activities at landfills, open dumps and land application sites for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system.

**6.L.6 Numeric Limitations, Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)**

TABLE L-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK AND COMPLIANCE MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cutoff concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation <sup>2</sup>
<b>Section of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
All Landfill, Land Application Sites and Open Dumps (Industrial Activity Code "LF").	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).	100 mg/L.	
All Landfill, Land Application Sites and Open Dumps, Except Municipal Solid Waste Landfill (MSWLF) Areas Closed in Accordance with 40 CFR 258.60 (Industrial Activity Code "LF").	Total Recoverable Iron .....	1.0mg/L.	
All Landfills Which are Subject to the Requirements of 40 CFR Part 445 Subpart B (Industrial Activity Code "LF").	BOD5 .....	.....	140 mg/1, daily max. 37 mg/1, monthly ave maximum
	TSS .....	.....	88 mg/1, daily max. 27 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	Ammonia .....	.....	10 mg/1, daily max. 4.9 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	Alpha Terpineol .....	.....	0.033 mg/1, daily max. 0.016 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	Benzoic Acid .....	.....	0.12 mg/1, daily max. 0.071 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	p-Cresol .....	.....	0.025 mg/1, daily max. 0.014 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	Phenol .....	.....	0.026 mg/1, daily max. 0.015 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	Zinc (Total) .....	.....	0.20 mg/1, daily max. 0.11 mg/1, monthly ave maximum.
	pH .....	.....	Within the range of 6–9 pH units.

<sup>1</sup> These benchmark monitoring cutoff concentrations apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity other than contaminated storm water discharges from landfills subject to the numeric effluent limitations set forth in Table L-1. Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years.

<sup>2</sup> As set forth at 40 CFR Part 445 Subpart B, these numeric limitations apply to contaminated storm water discharges from MSWLFs which have not been closed in accordance with 40 CFR 258.60, and contaminated storm water discharges from those landfills which are subject to the provisions of 40 CFR Part 257 except for discharges from any of facilities described in (a) through (d) below:

(a) landfills operated in conjunction with other industrial or commercial operations when the landfill only receives wastes generated by the industrial or commercial operation directly associated with the landfill;

(b) landfills operated in conjunction with other industrial or commercial operations when the landfill receives wastes generated by the industrial or commercial operation directly associated with the landfill and also receives other wastes provided the other wastes received for disposal are generated by a facility that is subject to the same provisions in 40 CFR Subchapter N as the industrial or commercial operation or the other wastes received are of similar nature to the wastes generated by the industrial or commercial operation;

(c) landfills operated in conjunction with Centralized Waste Treatment (CWT) facilities subject to 40 CFR Part 437 so long as the CWT facility commingles the landfill wastewater with other non-landfill wastewater for discharge. A landfill directly associated with a CWT facility is subject to this part if the CWT facility discharges landfill wastewater separately from other CWT wastewater or commingles the wastewater from its landfill only with wastewater from other landfills; or

(d) landfills operated in conjunction with other industrial or commercial operations when the landfill receives wastes from public service activities so long as the company owning the landfill does not receive a fee or other remuneration for the disposal service.

For the discharges subject to the numeric effluent limitations, monitoring for the specified parameters is required once/year during each year of the term of the permit.

## 6.M Sector M—Automobile Salvage Yards

### 6.M.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.M apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Automobile Salvage Yards as identified by the Activity Code specified under Sector M in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.M.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector M

The types of activities that permittees under Sector M are primarily engaged in are dismantling or wrecking used motor vehicles for parts recycling/resale and for scrap.

### 6.M.3 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.M.3.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Indicate the

location of each monitoring point, and estimate the total acreage used for industrial activity including, but not limited to, dismantling, storage and maintenance of used motor vehicle parts. Also identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: Dismantling areas; parts (e.g., engine blocks, tires, hub caps, batteries, hoods, mufflers) storage areas; liquid storage tanks and drums for fuel and other fluids.

6.M.3.2 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Assess the potential for the following to contribute pollutants to storm water discharges: Vehicle storage areas; dismantling areas; parts storage area (e.g., engine blocks, tires, hub caps, batteries, hoods, mufflers); fueling stations.

6.M.3.3 *Spill and Leak Prevention Procedures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.4) Drain vehicles intended to be dismantled of all fluids upon arrival at the site (or as soon thereafter as feasible); or employ some other equivalent means to prevent spills/leaks.

6.M.3.4 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Immediately (or as soon thereafter as feasible) inspect vehicles

arriving at the site for leaks. Inspect quarterly for signs of leakage, all equipment containing oily parts, hydraulic fluids or any other types of fluids. Also inspect quarterly for signs of leakage, all vessels and areas where fluids are stored, including, but not limited to, brake fluid, transmission fluid, radiator water and antifreeze.

6.M.3.5 *Employee Training.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.6) If applicable to your facility, address the following areas (at a minimum) in your employee training program: Proper handling (collection, storage, and disposal) of oil, used mineral spirits, anti-freeze and solvents.

6.M.3.6 *Management of Runoff.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.2.2) Consider the following management practices: Berms or drainage ditches on the property line (to help prevent run-on from neighboring properties); berms for uncovered outdoor storage of oily parts, engine blocks and above-ground liquid storage; installation of detention ponds; and the installation of filtering devices and oil/water separators.

### 6.M.4 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)

TABLE M–1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
Sector of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements			
Automobile Salvage Yards (SIC 5015) .....	Total Suspended Solids (TSS). Total Recoverable Aluminum. Total Recoverable Iron ..... Total Recoverable Lead ....	100.0 mg/L. 0.75 mg/L. 1.0 mg/L. 0.0816 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 monitoring years.

## 6.N Sector N—Scrap Recycling and Waste Recycling Facilities

### 6.N.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part N apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Scrap Recycling and Waste Recycling facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector N in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.N.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector N

The types of activities that permittees under Sector N are primarily engaged in are:

6.N.2.1 processing, reclaiming and wholesale distribution of scrap and

waste materials such as ferrous and nonferrous metals, paper, plastic, cardboard, glass, animal hides;

6.N.2.2 reclaiming and recycling liquid wastes such as used oil, antifreeze, mineral spirits and industrial solvents.

### 6.N.3 Coverage Under This Permit

Separate permit requirements have been established for recycling facilities that only receive source-separated recyclable materials primarily from non-industrial and residential sources (i.e., common consumer products including paper, newspaper, glass, cardboard, plastic containers, aluminum and tin cans). This includes recycling facilities commonly referred to as material recovery facilities (MRF).

6.N.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.2.2) Not covered by this permit: non-storm water discharges from turnings containment areas (see also Part 6.N.5.1.3). Discharges from containment areas in the absence of a storm event are prohibited unless covered by a separate NPDES permit.

### 6.N.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4 of the MSGP. Part 6.N.4.1 contains a requirement that applies to all recycling facilities and is followed by Parts 6.N.4.2 to 6.N.4.4.4, which have requirements for specific types of

recycling facilities. Implement and describe in your SWPPP a program to address those items that apply. Included are lists of BMP options which, along with any functional equivalents, should be considered for implementation. Selection or deselection of a particular BMP or approach is up to the best professional judgement of the operator, as long as the objective of the requirement is met.

**6.N.4.1 Drainage Area Site Map.**  
(See also Part 4.2.2.3)

Identify the locations of any of the following activities or sources which may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: scrap and waste material storage, outdoor scrap and waste processing equipment, and containment areas for turnings exposed to cutting fluids.

**6.N.4.2 Scrap and Waste Recycling Facilities (Non-Source Separated, Non-Liquid Recyclable Materials).** Requirements for facilities that receive, process and do wholesale distribution of non-liquid recyclable wastes (e.g., ferrous and nonferrous metals, plastics, glass, cardboard and paper). These facilities may receive both non-recyclable and recyclable materials. This section is not intended for those facilities that only accept recyclables from primarily non-industrial and residential sources.

**6.N.4.2.1 Inbound Recyclable and Waste Material Control Program.** Minimize the chance of accepting materials that could be significant sources of pollutants by conducting inspections of inbound recyclables and waste materials. BMP options: (a) Provide information/education to suppliers of scrap and recyclable waste materials on draining and properly disposing of residual fluids (e.g., from vehicles and equipment engines, radiators and transmissions, oil filled transformers and individual containers or drums), prior to delivery to your facility; (b) procedures to minimize the potential of any residual fluids from coming into contact with precipitation/runoff; (c) procedures for accepting scrap lead-acid batteries (additional requirements for the handling, storage and disposal or recycling of batteries are contained in the scrap lead-acid battery program provisions in N.5.1.6); (d) training targeted for those personnel engaged in the inspection and acceptance of inbound recyclable materials. In addition, (e) liquid wastes, including used oil, must be stored in materially compatible and non-leaking containers and disposed or recycled in accordance with RCRA.

**6.N.4.2.2 Scrap and Waste Material Stockpiles/Storage (Outdoor).** Minimize contact of storm water runoff with

stockpiled materials, processed materials and non-recyclable wastes. BMP options: (a) Permanent or semi-permanent covers; (b) to facilitate settling or filtering of pollutants: sediment traps, vegetated swales and strips, catch basin filters and sand filters; (c) divert runoff away from storage areas via dikes, berms, containment trenches, culverts and surface grading; (d) silt fencing; (e) oil/water separators, sumps and dry absorbents for areas where potential sources of residual fluids are stockpiled (e.g., automobile engine storage areas).

**6.N.4.2.3 Stockpiling of Turnings Exposed to Cutting Fluids (Outdoor).** Minimize contact of surface runoff with residual cutting fluids. BMP options (use singularly or in combination): (a) Store all turnings exposed to cutting fluids under some form of permanent or semi-permanent cover. Storm water discharges from these areas are permitted provided the runoff is first treated by an oil/water separator or its equivalent. Identify procedures to collect, handle and dispose/recycle residual fluids which may be present; (b) establish dedicated containment areas for all turnings that have been exposed to cutting fluids. Storm water runoff from these areas can be discharged provided: The containment areas are constructed of either concrete, asphalt or other equivalent types of impermeable material; there is a barrier around the perimeter of the containment areas (e.g., berms, curbing, elevated pads, etc.) to prevent contact with storm water run-on; there is a drainage collection system for runoff generated from containment areas; you have a schedule to maintain the oil/water separator (or its equivalent); and you identify procedures for properly disposing or recycling collected residual fluids.

**6.N.4.2.4 Scrap and Waste Material Stockpiles/Storage (Covered or Indoor Storage).** Minimize contact of residual liquids and particulate matter from materials stored indoors or under cover with surface runoff. BMP options: (a) Good housekeeping measures including the use of dry absorbent or wet vacuuming to contain or dispose/recycle residual liquids originating from recyclable containers; (b) not allowing washwater from tipping floors or other processing areas to discharge to the storm sewer system; (c) disconnect or seal off all floor drains connected to the storm sewer system.

**6.N.4.2.5 Scrap and Recyclable Waste Processing Areas.** Minimize surface runoff from coming in contact with scrap processing equipment. Pay attention to operations that generate

visible amounts of particulate residue (e.g., shredding) to minimize the contact of accumulated particulate matter and residual fluids with runoff (i.e., through good housekeeping, preventive maintenance, etc.). BMP options: (a) Regularly inspect equipment for spills/leaks, and malfunctioning/worn/corroded parts or equipment; (b) a preventive maintenance program for processing equipment; (c) use of dry-absorbents or other cleanup practices to collect and dispose/recycle spilled/leaking fluids; (e) on unattended hydraulic reservoirs over 150 gallons in capacity, install such protection devices as low-level alarms or other equivalent devices, or, alternatively, secondary containment that can hold the entire volume of the reservoir; (f) containment or diversion structures such as dikes, berms, culverts, trenches, elevated concrete pads, grading to minimize contact of storm water runoff with outdoor processing equipment or stored materials; (g) oil/water separators or sumps; (h) permanent or semi-permanent covers in processing areas where there are residual fluids and grease; (i) retention/detention ponds or basins; sediment traps, vegetated swales or strips (for pollutant settling/filtration); (j) catch basin filters or sand filters.

**6.N.4.2.6 Scrap Lead-Acid Battery Program.** Properly handle, store and dispose of scrap lead-acid batteries. BMP options: (a) Segregate scrap lead-acid batteries from other scrap materials; (b) proper handling, storage and disposal of cracked or broken batteries; (c) collect and dispose leaking lead-acid battery fluid; (d) minimize/eliminate (if possible) exposure of scrap lead-acid batteries to precipitation or runoff; (e) employee training for the management of scrap batteries.

**6.N.4.2.7 Spill Prevention and Response Procedures.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.4) Minimize storm water contamination at loading/unloading areas, and from equipment or container failures. BMP options: (a) Prevention and response measures for areas that are potential sources of fluid leaks/spills; (b) immediate containment and clean up of spills/leaks. If malfunctioning equipment is responsible for the spill/leak, repairs should also be conducted as soon as possible; (c) cleanup measures including the use of dry absorbents. If this method is employed, there should be an adequate supply of dry absorbent materials kept onsite and used absorbent must be properly disposed of; (d) store drums containing liquids—especially oil and lubricants—either: Indoors, in a bermed area, in overpack containers or spill pallets, or

in other containment devices; (e) install overfill prevention devices on fuel pumps or tanks; (f) place drip pans or equivalent measures under leaking stationary equipment until the leak is repaired. The drip pans should be inspected for leaks and potential overflow and all liquids must be properly disposed of (as per RCRA); (g) install alarms and/or pump shut off systems on outdoor equipment with hydraulic reservoirs exceeding 150 gallons in the event of a line break. Alternatively, a secondary containment system capable of holding the entire contents of the reservoir plus room for precipitation can be used.

**6.N.4.2.8 Quarterly Inspection Program.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Inspect all designated areas of the facility and equipment identified in the plan quarterly.

**6.N.4.2.9 Supplier Notification Program.** As appropriate, notify major suppliers which scrap materials will not be accepted at the facility or are only accepted under certain conditions.

**6.N.4.3 Waste Recycling Facilities (Liquid Recyclable Materials).**

**6.N.4.3.1 Waste Material Storage (Indoor).** Minimize/eliminate contact between residual liquids from waste materials stored indoors and surface runoff. The plan may refer to applicable portions of other existing plans such as SPCC plans required under 40 CFR Part 112. BMP options: (a) procedures for material handling (including labeling and marking); (b) clean up spills/leaks with dry-absorbent materials or a wet vacuum system; (c) appropriate containment structures (trenching, curbing, gutters, etc.); (d) a drainage system, including appurtenances (e.g., pumps or ejectors, manually operated valves), to handle discharges from diked or bermed areas. Drainage should be discharged to an appropriate treatment facility, sanitary sewer system, or otherwise disposed of properly. These discharges may require coverage under a separate NPDES wastewater permit or industrial user permit under the pretreatment program.

**6.N.4.3.2 Waste Material Storage (Outdoor).** Minimize contact between

stored residual liquids and precipitation or runoff. The plan may refer to applicable portions of other existing plans such as SPCC plans required under 40 CFR Part 112. Discharges of precipitation from containment areas containing used oil must also be in accordance with applicable sections of 40 CFR Part 112. BMP options: (a) appropriate containment structures (e.g., dikes, berms, curbing, pits) to store the volume of the largest tank with sufficient extra capacity for precipitation; (b) drainage control and other diversionary structures; (c) for storage tanks, provide corrosion protection and/or leak detection systems; (d) use dry-absorbent materials or a wet vacuum system to collect spills.

**6.N.4.3.3 Trucks and Rail Car Waste Transfer Areas.** Minimize pollutants in discharges from truck and rail car loading/unloading areas. Include measures to clean up minor spills/leaks resulting from the transfer of liquid wastes. BMP options: (a) containment and diversionary structures to minimize contact with precipitation or runoff; (b) use dry-clean up methods, wet vacuuming, roof coverings, or runoff controls.

**6.N.4.3.4 Quarterly Inspections.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) At a minimum, the inspections must also include all areas where waste is generated, received, stored, treated or disposed and that are exposed to either precipitation or storm water runoff.

**6.N.4.4 Recycling Facilities (Source Separated Materials).** The following identifies considerations for facilities that receive only source-separated recyclables, primarily from non-industrial and residential sources.

**6.N.4.4.1 Inbound Recyclable Material Control.** Minimize the chance of accepting non-recyclables (e.g., hazardous materials) which could be a significant source of pollutants by conducting inspections of inbound materials. BMP options: (a) information/education measures to inform suppliers of recyclables which materials are acceptable and which are not; (b) training drivers responsible for pickup of recycled material; (c) clearly marking

public drop-off containers regarding which materials can be accepted; (d) reject non-recyclable wastes or household hazardous wastes at the source; (e) procedures for handling and disposal of non-recyclable material.

**6.N.4.4.2 Outdoor Storage.** Minimize exposure of recyclables to precipitation and runoff. Use good housekeeping measures to prevent accumulation of particulate matter and fluids, particularly in high traffic areas. Other BMP options: (a) provide totally-enclosed drop-off containers for the public; (b) install a sump/pump with each container pit and treat or discharge collected fluids to a sanitary sewer system; (c) provide dikes and curbs for secondary containment (e.g., around bales of recyclable waste paper); (d) divert surface water runoff away from outside material storage areas; (e) provide covers over containment bins, dumpsters, roll-off boxes; (f) store the equivalent one days' volume of recyclable material indoors.

**6.N.4.4.3 Indoor Storage and Material Processing.** Minimize the release of pollutants from indoor storage and processing areas. BMP options: (a) schedule routine good housekeeping measures for all storage and processing areas; (b) prohibit tipping floor washwater from draining to the storm sewer system; (c) provide employee training on pollution prevention practices.

**6.N.4.4.4 Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance.** BMP options for those areas where vehicle and equipment maintenance are occurring outdoors: (a) prohibit vehicle and equipment washwater from discharging to the storm sewer system; (b) minimize or eliminate outdoor maintenance areas whenever possible; (c) establish spill prevention and clean-up procedures in fueling areas; (d) avoid topping off fuel tanks; (e) divert runoff from fueling areas; (f) store lubricants and hydraulic fluids indoors; (g) provide employee training on proper handling, storage of hydraulic fluids and lubricants.

**6.N.5 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.** (See also Part 5)



TABLE N-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Scrap Recycling Facility (SIC 5093) .....	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD).	120 mg/L.	
	Total Suspended Solids (TSS).	100 mg/L.	
		0.75 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Aluminum.	0.0636 mg/L.	
		1.0 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Copper	0.0816 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Iron .....	0.117 mg/L.	
	Total Recoverable Lead ....		
	Total Recoverable Zinc .....		

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

## 6.O Sector O—Steam Electric Generating Facilities

### 6.O.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.O apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Steam Electric Power Generating Facilities as identified by the Activity Code specified under Sector O in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.O.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector O

This permit authorizes storm water discharges from the following industrial activities at Sector O facilities:

6.O.2.1 Steam electric power generation using coal, natural gas, oil, nuclear energy, etc. to produce a steam source, including coal handling areas;

6.O.2.2 Coal pile runoff, including effluent limitations established by 40 CFR Part 423;

6.O.2.3 Dual fuel co-generation facilities.

### 6.O.3 Limitations on Coverage

6.O.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* Not covered by this permit: non-storm water discharges subject to effluent limitations guidelines.

6.O.3.2 *Prohibition of Storm Water Discharges.* Not covered by this permit: storm water discharges from ancillary facilities (e.g., fleet centers, gas turbine stations and substations) that are not contiguous to a steam electric power generating facility; and heat capture co-generation facilities.

### 6.O.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.O.4.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify the locations of any of the following

activities or sources which may be exposed to precipitation / surface runoff: storage tanks, scrap yards, general refuse areas; short and long term storage of general materials (including but not limited to: supplies, construction materials, paint equipment, oils, fuels, used and unused solvents, cleaning materials, paint, water treatment chemicals, fertilizer and pesticides); landfills, construction sites; stock piles areas (e.g., coal or limestone piles).

6.O.4.2 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1)

6.O.4.2.1 *Fugitive Dust Emissions.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize fugitive dust emissions from coal handling areas. Consider such procedures to minimize the tracking of coal dust offsite as installing specially designed tires, or washing vehicles in a designated area before they leave the site and controlling the wash water.

6.O.4.2.2 *Delivery Vehicles.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of storm water runoff from delivery vehicles arriving at the plant site. Consider the following: procedures to inspect delivery vehicles arriving at the plant site and ensure overall integrity of the body or container; and procedures to deal with leakage / spillage from vehicles or containers.

6.O.4.2.3 *Fuel Oil Unloading Areas.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of precipitation / surface runoff from fuel oil unloading areas. Consider, at a minimum (or their equivalents): using containment curbs in unloading areas; having personnel familiar with spill prevention and response procedures present during deliveries to ensure that any leaks / spills are immediately contained and cleaned up; using spill and overflow protection (e.g., drip pans,

drip diapers or other containment devices placed beneath fuel oil connectors to contain potential spillage during deliveries or from leaks at the connectors).

6.O.4.2.4 *Chemical Loading / Unloading.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of precipitation / surface runoff from chemical loading / unloading areas. Consider, at a minimum (or their equivalents): using containment curbs at chemical loading / unloading areas to contain spill; having personnel familiar with spill prevention and response procedures present during deliveries to ensure that any leaks / spills are immediately contained and cleaned up; and load / unload in covered areas and store chemicals indoors.

6.O.4.2.5 *Miscellaneous Loading / Unloading Areas.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of precipitation / surface runoff from loading / unloading areas. Consider, at a minimum (or their equivalents): covering the loading area; grading, berming, or curbing around the loading area to divert run-on; or locating the loading / unloading equipment and vehicles so leaks are contained in existing containment and flow diversion systems.

6.O.4.2.6 *Liquid Storage Tanks.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of surface runoff from above ground liquid storage tanks. Consider using, at a minimum (or their equivalents): protective guards around tank; containment curbs; spill and overflow protection; and dry cleanup methods.

6.O.4.2.7 *Large Bulk Fuel Storage Tanks.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of surface runoff from large bulk fuel storage tanks. Consider,

at a minimum, using containment berms (or its equivalent). You must also comply with applicable State and Federal laws, including Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC).

**6.O.4.2.8 Spill Reduction Measures.** Describe and implement measures to reduce the potential for an oil / chemical spill or reference the appropriate Part of your SPCC plan. At a minimum, visually inspect on a weekly basis, the structural integrity of all above ground tanks, pipelines, pumps and other related equipment, and effect any necessary repairs immediately.

**6.O.4.2.9 Oil Bearing Equipment in Switchyards.** Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of surface runoff from oil bearing equipment in switchyard areas. Consider using level grades and gravel surfaces to retard flows and limit the spread of spills or collecting runoff in perimeter ditches.

**6.O.4.2.10 Residue Hauling Vehicles.** Inspect all residue hauling vehicles for proper covering over the load, adequate gate sealing and overall integrity of the container body. Repair as soon as practicable, vehicles without load covering or adequate gate sealing, or with leaking containers or beds.

**6.O.4.2.11 Ash Loading Areas.** Describe and implement procedures to reduce or control the tracking of ash/ residue from ash loading areas. Where practicable, clear the ash building floor and immediately adjacent roadways of spillage, debris and excess water before departure of each loaded vehicle.

**6.O.4.2.12 Areas Adjacent to Disposal Ponds or Landfills.** Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of surface runoff from areas adjacent to disposal ponds or landfills. Develop procedures to reduce ash residue that may be tracked on to access roads traveled by residue handling vehicles, and reduce ash residue on exit roads leading into and out of residue handling areas.

**6.O.4.2.13 Landfills, Scrap Yards, Surface Impoundments, Open Dumps, General Refuse Sites.**

Address these areas in your SWPPP and include appropriate BMPs as referred to in Part 4.

**6.O.4.2.14 Vehicle Maintenance Activities.** For vehicle maintenance activities performed on the plant site, use the applicable BMPs outlined in Part 6.P.

**6.O.4.2.15 Material Storage Areas.** Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of

storm water runoff from material storage areas (including areas used for temporary storage of miscellaneous products and construction materials stored in lay-down areas). Consider using (or their equivalents): Flat yard grades; collecting runoff in graded swales or ditches; erosion protection measures at steep outfall sites (e.g., concrete chutes, riprap, stilling basins); covering lay-down areas; storing materials indoors; and covering materials temporarily with polyethylene, polyurethane, polypropylene or hypalon. Storm water run-on may be minimized by constructing an enclosure or building a berm around the area.

**6.O.4.3 Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.** (See also Part 4.9.3) As part of your evaluation, inspect the following areas on a monthly basis: Coal handling areas, loading/unloading areas, switchyards, fueling areas, bulk storage areas, ash handling areas, areas adjacent to disposal ponds and landfills, maintenance areas, liquid storage tanks, and long term and short term material storage areas.

**6.O.5 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements.** (See also Part 5)

TABLE O-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric Limitation <sup>2</sup>
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Steam Electric Generating Facilities (Industrial Activity Code "SE").	Total Recoverable Iron .....	1.0 mg/L.	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

<sup>2</sup> Note that the numeric effluent limitation guidelines for coal pile runoff at steam electric generating facilities have been adopted as a standard numeric limits for all coal pile runoff. See Part 5.1.3.

## 6.P Sector P—Land Transportation and Warehousing

### 6.P.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.P apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Land Transportation and Warehousing facilities as identified by the Activity Code specified under Sector P in Table 1-1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.P.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector P

The types of activities that permittees under Sector P are primarily engaged in are:

**6.P.2.1 vehicle and equipment maintenance** (vehicle and equipment rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling and lubrication);

**6.P.2.2 equipment cleaning.**

### 6.P.3 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

**6.P.3.1 Drainage Site Map.** (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify the locations of any of the following activities or sources: Fueling stations; vehicle/equipment maintenance or cleaning areas; storage areas for vehicle/equipment with actual or potential fluid leaks; loading/unloading areas; areas where treatment, storage or disposal of wastes occur; liquid storage tanks; processing areas; storage areas; and all monitoring areas.

**6.P.3.2 Potential Pollutant Sources.** (See also Part 4.2.4) Describe and assess the potential for the following to

contribute pollutants to storm water discharges: Onsite waste storage or disposal; dirt/gravel parking areas for vehicles awaiting maintenance; and fueling areas.

**6.P.3.3 Good Housekeeping Measures.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1)

**6.P.3.3.1 Vehicle and Equipment Storage Areas.** Confine the storage of leaky or leak-prone vehicles/equipment awaiting maintenance to designated areas. Consider the following (or other equivalent measures): The use of drip pans under vehicles/equipment, indoor storage of vehicles and equipment, installation of berms or dikes, use of absorbents, roofing or covering storage areas, and cleaning pavement surfaces to remove oil and grease.

**6.P.3.3.2 Fueling Areas.** Implement and describe measures that prevent or

minimize contamination of storm water runoff from fueling areas. Consider the following (or other equivalent measures): covering the fueling area; using spill/overflow protection and cleanup equipment; minimizing storm water runoff to the fueling area; using dry cleanup methods; and treating and/or recycling collected storm water runoff.

**6.P.3.3.3 Material Storage Areas.** Maintain all material storage vessels (e.g., for used oil/oil filters, spent solvents, paint wastes, hydraulic fluids) to prevent contamination of storm water and plainly label them (e.g., "Used Oil," "Spent Solvents," etc.). Consider the following (or other equivalent measures): storing the materials indoors; installing berms/dikes around the areas; minimizing runoff of storm water to the areas; using dry cleanup methods; and treating and/or recycling collected storm water runoff.

**6.P.3.3.4 Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning Areas.** Implement and describe measures that prevent or minimize contamination of storm water runoff from all areas used for vehicle/equipment cleaning. Consider the following (or other equivalent measures): performing all cleaning operations indoors; covering the cleaning operation, ensuring that all washwater drains to a proper collection system (i.e., not the storm water drainage system unless NPDES permitted); treating and/or recycling collected storm water runoff, or other equivalent measures. Note: the discharge of vehicle/equipment washwater, including tank cleaning operations, are not authorized by this permit and must be covered under a separate NPDES permit or discharged to a sanitary sewer in accordance with applicable industrial pretreatment requirements.

**6.P.3.3.5 Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Areas.** Implement and describe measures that prevent or minimize contamination of storm water runoff from all areas used for vehicle/equipment maintenance. Consider the following (or other equivalent measures): performing maintenance activities indoors; using drip pans; keeping an organized inventory of materials used in the shop; draining all parts of fluid prior to disposal; prohibiting wet clean up practices if these practices would result in the discharge of pollutants to storm water drainage systems; using dry cleanup methods; treating and/or recycling collected storm water runoff, minimizing run on/runoff of storm water to maintenance areas.

**6.P.3.3.6 Locomotive Sanding (Loading Sand for Traction) Areas.**

Consider the following (or other equivalent measures): covering sanding areas; minimizing storm water run on/runoff; or appropriate sediment removal practices to minimize the offsite transport of sanding material by storm water.

**6.P.3.4 Inspections.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Inspect all the following areas/activities: storage areas for vehicles/equipment awaiting maintenance, fueling areas, indoor and outdoor vehicle/equipment maintenance areas, material storage areas, vehicle/equipment cleaning areas and loading/unloading areas.

**6.P.3.5 Employee Training.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.6) Train personnel at least once a year and address the following, as applicable: used oil and spent solvent management; fueling procedures; general good housekeeping practices; proper painting procedures; and used battery management.

**6.P.3.6 Vehicle and Equipment Washwater Requirements.** (See also Part 4.4) Attach to or reference in your SWPPP, a copy of the NPDES permit issued for vehicle/equipment washwater or, if an NPDES permit has not been issued, a copy of the pending application. If an industrial user permit is issued under a pretreatment program, attach a copy to your SWPPP. In any case, address all non-storm water permit conditions or pretreatment conditions in your SWPPP. If washwater is handled in another manner (e.g., hauled offsite), describe the disposal method and attach all pertinent documentation/information (e.g., frequency, volume, destination, etc.) in the plan.

**6.Q Sector Q—Water Transportation**

**6.Q.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges**

The requirements in Part 6.Q apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Water Transportation facilities as identified by the Activity Code specified under Sector Q in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

**6.Q.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector Q**

The requirements listed under this Part apply to storm water discharges associated with the following activities:

**6.Q.2.1 Water transportation facilities** classified in SIC Code major group 44 that have vehicle (vessel) maintenance shops and/or equipment cleaning operations including:

**6.Q.2.1.1 Water transportation industry** includes facilities engaged in foreign or domestic transport of freight

or passengers in deep sea or inland waters;

**6.Q.2.1.2 Marine cargo handling operations;**

**6.Q.2.1.3 Ferry operations;**

**6.Q.2.1.4 Towing and tugboat services;**

**6.Q.2.1.5 Marinas.**

**6.Q.3 Limitations on Coverage**

**6.Q.3.1 Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.** (See also Part 1.2.3.1) Not covered by this permit: bilge and ballast water, sanitary wastes, pressure wash water and cooling water originating from vessels.

**6.Q.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements**

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

**6.Q.4.1 Drainage Area Site Map.** (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: fueling; engine maintenance/repair; vessel maintenance/repair; pressure washing; painting; sanding; blasting; welding; metal fabrication; loading/unloading areas; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes; liquid storage tanks; liquid storage areas (e.g., paint, solvents, resins); and material storage areas (e.g., blasting media, aluminum, steel, scrap iron).

**6.Q.4.2 Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources.** (See also Part 4.2.4) Describe the following additional sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them: outdoor manufacturing or processing activities (i.e., welding, metal fabricating); and significant dust or particulate generating processes (e.g., abrasive blasting, sanding, painting).

**6.Q.4.3 Good Housekeeping Measures.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1)

**6.Q.4.3.1 Pressure Washing Area.** If pressure washing is used to remove marine growth from vessels, the discharge water must be permitted by a separate NPDES permit. Describe in the SWPPP: the measures to collect or contain the discharges from the pressures washing area; the method for the removal of the visible solids; the methods of disposal of the collected solids; and where the discharge will be released.

**6.Q.4.3.2 Blasting and Painting Area.** Implement and describe measures to prevent spent abrasives, paint chips and over spray from discharging into the receiving water or the storm sewer systems. Consider containing all blasting/painting activities or use other measures to prevent or minimize the discharge the contaminants (e.g.,

hanging plastic barriers or tarpaulins during blasting or painting operations to contain debris). Where necessary, regularly clean storm water conveyances of deposits of abrasive blasting debris and paint chips. Detail in the SWPPP any standard operating practices relating to blasting/painting (e.g., prohibiting uncontained blasting/painting over open water, or prohibiting blasting/painting during windy conditions which can render containment ineffective).

**6.Q.4.3.3 Material Storage Areas.** Store and plainly label all containerized materials (e.g., fuels, paints, solvents, waste oil, antifreeze, batteries) in a protected, secure location away from drains. Implement and describe measures to prevent or minimize the contamination of precipitation/surface runoff from the storage areas. Specify which materials are stored indoors and consider containment or enclosure for those stored outdoors. If abrasive blasting is performed, discuss the storage and disposal of spent abrasive materials generated at the facility. Consider implementing an inventory control plan to limit the presence of potentially hazardous materials onsite.

**6.Q.4.3.4 Engine Maintenance and Repair Areas.** Implement and describe measures to prevent or minimize the contamination of precipitation/surface runoff from all areas used for engine maintenance and repair. Consider the following (or their equivalents): performing all maintenance activities indoors; maintaining an organized inventory of materials used in the shop; draining all parts of fluid prior to disposal; prohibiting the practice of hosing down the shop floor; using dry cleanup methods; and treating and/or recycling storm water runoff collected from the maintenance area.

**6.Q.4.3.5 Material Handling Area.** Implement and describe measures to prevent or minimize the contamination of precipitation/surface runoff from material handling operations and areas (e.g., fueling, paint and solvent mixing, disposal of process wastewater streams from vessels). Consider the following (or their equivalents): covering fueling areas; using spill/overflow protection; mixing paints and solvents in a designated area (preferably indoors or under a shed); and minimize runoff of storm water to material handling areas.

**6.Q.4.3.6 Drydock Activities.** Describe your procedures for routinely maintaining/cleaning the drydock to prevent or minimize pollutants in storm water runoff. Address the cleaning of accessible areas of the drydock prior to flooding, and final cleanup following removal of the vessel and raising the dock. Include procedures for cleaning up oil, grease or fuel spills occurring on the drydock. Consider the following (or their equivalents): sweeping rather than hosing off debris/spent blasting material from accessible areas of the drydock prior to flooding, and having absorbent materials and oil containment booms readily available to contain/cleanup any spills.

**6.Q.4.3.7 General Yard Area.** Implement and describe a schedule for routine yard maintenance and cleanup. Regularly remove from the general yard area: scrap metal, wood, plastic, miscellaneous trash, paper, glass, industrial scrap, insulation, welding rods, packaging, etc.

**6.Q.4.4 Preventative Maintenance.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.4) As part of your preventive maintenance program, perform timely inspection and maintenance of storm water management devices (e.g., cleaning oil/water separators and sediment traps to

ensure that spent abrasives, paint chips and solids will be intercepted and retained prior to entering the storm drainage system) as well as inspecting and testing facility equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures resulting in discharges of pollutants to surface waters.

**6.Q.4.5 Inspections.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Include the following areas in all monthly inspections: pressure washing area; blasting, sanding and painting areas; material storage areas; engine maintenance/repair areas; material handling areas; drydock area; and general yard area.

**6.Q.4.6 Employee Training.** (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.6) As part of your employee training program, address, at a minimum, the following activities (as applicable): used oil management; spent solvent management; disposal of spent abrasives; disposal of vessel wastewaters; spill prevention and control; fueling procedures; general good housekeeping practices; painting and blasting procedures; and used battery management.

**6.Q.4.7 Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.** (See also Part 4.9) Conduct regularly scheduled evaluations at least once a year and address those areas contributing to a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity (e.g., pressure washing area, blasting/sanding areas, painting areas, material storage areas, engine maintenance/repair areas, material handling areas, and drydock area). Inspect these sources for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system.

## **6.Q.5 Monitoring and Reporting Requirements. (See also Part 5)**

TABLE Q-1.—SECTOR-SPECIFIC NUMERIC EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND BENCHMARK MONITORING

Subsector (Discharges may be subject to requirements for more than one sector/subsector)	Parameter	Benchmark monitoring cut-off concentration <sup>1</sup>	Numeric limitation
<b>Part of Permit Affected/Supplemental Requirements</b>			
Water Transportation Facilities (SIC 4412–4499) .....	Total Recoverable Aluminum...	0.75 mg/L .....	
	Total Recoverable Iron. ....	1.0 mg/L .....	
	Total Recoverable Lead. ...	0.0816 mg/L .....	
	Total Recoverable Zinc. ....	0.117 mg/L .....	

<sup>1</sup> Monitor once/quarter for the year 2 and year 4 Monitoring Years.

## 6.R Sector R—Ship and Boat Building or Repair Yards

### 6.R.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.R apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Ship and Boat Building or Repair Yards as identified by the Activity Codes specified under Sector R in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.R.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector R

The types of activities that permittees under Sector R are primarily engaged in are:

6.R.2.1 Ship building and repairing and boat building and repairing<sup>3</sup>

### 6.R.3 Limitations on Coverage

6.R.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.3.1) Not covered by this permit: discharges containing bilge and ballast water, sanitary wastes, pressure wash water and cooling water originating from vessels.

### 6.R.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4.

6.R.4.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: fueling; engine maintenance/repair; vessel maintenance/repair; pressure washing; painting; sanding; blasting; welding; metal fabrication; loading/unloading areas; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes; liquid storage tanks; liquid storage areas (e.g., paint, solvents, resins); and material storage areas (e.g., blasting media, aluminum, steel, scrap iron).

6.R.4.2 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Describe the following additional sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them (if applicable): outdoor manufacturing/processing activities (e.g., welding, metal fabricating); and significant dust/particulate generating processes (e.g., abrasive blasting, sanding, painting).

6.R.4.3 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.1)

6.R.4.3.1 *Pressure Washing Area.* If pressure washing is used to remove marine growth from vessels, the discharge water must be permitted as a process wastewater by a separate NPDES permit.

6.R.4.3.2 *Blasting and Painting Area.* Implement and describe measures to prevent spent abrasives, paint chips and over spray from discharging into the receiving water or the storm sewer systems. Consider containing all blasting/painting activities or use other measures to prevent the discharge of the contaminants (e.g., hanging plastic barriers or tarpaulins during blasting or painting operations to contain debris). Where necessary, regularly clean storm water conveyances of deposits of abrasive blasting debris and paint chips. Detail in the SWPPP any standard operating practices relating to blasting/painting (e.g., prohibiting uncontained blasting/painting over open water, or prohibiting blasting/painting during windy conditions which can render containment ineffective).

6.R.4.3.3 *Material Storage Areas.* Store and plainly label all containerized materials (e.g., fuels, paints, solvents, waste oil, antifreeze, batteries) in a protected, secure location away from drains. Implement and describe measures to prevent or minimize the contamination of precipitation/surface runoff from the storage areas. Specify which materials are stored indoors and consider containment or enclosure for those stored outdoors. If abrasive blasting is performed, discuss the storage and disposal of spent abrasive materials generated at the facility. Consider implementing an inventory control plan to limit the presence of potentially hazardous materials onsite.

6.R.4.3.4 *Engine Maintenance and Repair Areas.* Implement and describe measures to prevent or minimize the contamination of precipitation/surface runoff from all areas used for engine maintenance and repair. Consider the following (or their equivalents): performing all maintenance activities indoors; maintaining an organized inventory of materials used in the shop; draining all parts of fluid prior to disposal; prohibiting the practice of hosing down the shop floor; using dry cleanup methods; and treating and/or recycling storm water runoff collected from the maintenance area.

6.R.4.3.5 *Material Handling Area.* Implement and describe measures to prevent or minimize the contamination of precipitation/surface runoff from material handling operations and areas (e.g., fueling, paint and solvent mixing, disposal of process wastewater streams from vessels). Consider the following (or their equivalents): covering fueling areas; using spill/overflow protection; mixing paints and solvents in a designated area (preferably indoors or under a shed); and minimize runoff of storm water to material handling areas.

6.R.4.3.6 *Drydock Activities.* Describe your procedures for routinely maintaining/cleaning the drydock to prevent or minimize pollutants in storm water runoff. Address the cleaning of accessible areas of the drydock prior to flooding, and final cleanup following removal of the vessel and raising the dock. Include procedures for cleaning up oil, grease or fuel spills occurring on the drydock. Consider the following (or their equivalents): sweeping rather than hosing off debris/spent blasting material from accessible areas of the drydock prior to flooding, and having absorbent materials and oil containment booms readily available to contain/cleanup any spills.

6.R.4.3.7 *General Yard Area.* Implement and describe a schedule for routine yard maintenance and cleanup. Regularly remove from the general yard area: scrap metal, wood, plastic, miscellaneous trash, paper, glass, industrial scrap, insulation, welding rods, packaging, etc.

6.R.4.4 *Preventative Maintenance.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.4) As part of your preventive maintenance program, perform timely inspection and maintenance of storm water management devices (e.g., cleaning oil/water separators and sediment traps to ensure that spent abrasives, paint chips and solids will be intercepted and retained prior to entering the storm drainage system) as well as inspecting and testing facility equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures resulting in discharges of pollutants to surface waters.

6.R.4.5 *Inspections.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.5) Include the following areas in all monthly inspections: pressure washing area; blasting, sanding and painting areas; material storage areas; engine maintenance/repair areas; material handling areas; drydock area; and general yard area.

6.R.4.6 *Employee Training.* (See also Part 4.2.7.2.1.6) As part of your employee training program, address, at a minimum, the following activities (as applicable): used oil management; spent solvent management; disposal of spent abrasives; disposal of vessel wastewaters; spill prevention and control; fueling procedures; general good housekeeping practices; painting and blasting procedures; and used battery management.

6.R.4.7 *Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.* (See also Part 4.9) Conduct regularly scheduled evaluations at least once a year and address those areas contributing to a storm water discharge associated with industrial activity (e.g., pressure

<sup>3</sup> According to the U.S. Coast Guard, a vessel 65 feet or greater in length is referred to as a ship, and a vessel smaller than 65 feet is a boat.

washing area, blasting/sanding areas, painting areas, material storage areas, engine maintenance/repair areas, material handling areas, and drydock area). They must be visually inspected for evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system.

## 6.S Sector S—Air Transportation

### 6.S.1 Covered Storm Water Discharges

The requirements in Part 6.S apply to storm water discharges associated with industrial activity from Air Transportation facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector S in Table 1–1 of Part 1.2.1.

### 6.S.2 Industrial Activities Covered by Sector S

The types of activities that permittees under Sector S are primarily engaged in are:

6.S.2.1 Air transportation, scheduled, and air courier;

6.S.2.2 Air transportation, non scheduled;

6.S.2.3 Airports; flying fields, except those maintained by aviation clubs; and airport terminal services including: air traffic control, except government; aircraft storage at airports; aircraft upholstery repair; airfreight handling at airports; airport hangar rental; airport leasing, if operating airport; airport terminal services; and hangar operations.

6.S.2.4 Airport and aircraft service and maintenance including: aircraft cleaning and janitorial service; aircraft servicing/repairing, except on a factory basis; vehicle maintenance shops; material handling facilities; equipment clearing operations; and airport and aircraft deicing/anti-icing.

**Note:** “deicing” will generally be used to imply both deicing (removing frost, snow or ice) and anti-icing (preventing accumulation of frost, snow or ice) activities, unless specific mention is made regarding anti-icing and/or deicing activities.

### 6.S.3 Limitations on Coverage

Only those portions of the facility that are involved in vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations or deicing operations are addressed in Part 6.S.

6.S.3.1 *Prohibition of Non-Storm Water Discharges.* (See also Part 1.2.3.1) Not covered by this permit: aircraft, ground vehicle, runway and equipment washwaters; and dry weather discharges of deicing chemicals. These discharges must be covered by a separate NPDES permit.

### 6.S.4 Special Conditions

6.S.4.1 *Hazardous Substances or Oil.* (See also Part 3.1) Each individual permittee is required to report spills equal to or exceeding the reportable quantity (RQ) levels specified at 40 CFR 110, 117 and 302 as described at Part 3.2. If an airport authority is the sole permittee, then the sum total of all spills at the airport must be assessed against the RQ. If the airport authority is a co-permittee with other deicing operators at the airport, such as numerous different airlines, the assessed amount must be the summation of spills by each co-permittee. If separate, distinct individual permittees exist at the airport, then the amount spilled by each separate permittee must be the assessed amount for the RQ determination.

### 6.S.5 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Requirements

In addition to the following requirements, you must also comply with the requirements listed in Part 4 of the MSGP.

(See also Part 4.1) If an airport's tenant has a SWPPP for discharges from their own areas of the airport, that SWPPP must be integrated with the plan for the entire airport. Tenants of the airport facility include air passenger or cargo companies, fixed based operators and other parties who have contracts with the airport authority to conduct business operations on airport property and whose operations result in storm water discharges associated with industrial activity.

6.S.5.1 *Drainage Area Site Map.* (See also Part 4.2.2.3) Identify where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation/surface runoff: aircraft and runway deicing operations; fueling stations; aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance/cleaning areas; storage areas for aircraft, ground vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance.

6.S.5.2 *Potential Pollutant Sources.* (See also Part 4.2.4) Include in your inventory of exposed materials a description of the potential pollutant sources from the following activities: aircraft, runway, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance and cleaning; aircraft and runway deicing operations (including apron and centralized aircraft deicing stations, runways, taxiways and ramps). If you use deicing chemicals, you must maintain a record of the types (including the Material Safety Data Sheets [MSDS]) used and the monthly quantities, either as measured or, in the absence of metering, as estimated to the best of your knowledge. This includes all deicing chemicals, not just glycols

and urea (e.g., potassium acetate), because large quantities of these other chemicals can still have an adverse impact on receiving waters. Tenants or other fixed-based operations that conduct deicing operations must provide the above information to the airport authority for inclusion in any comprehensive airport SWPPPs.

6.S.5.3 *Good Housekeeping Measures.* (See also 4.2.7)

6.S.5.3.1 *Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Areas.* Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize the contamination of storm water runoff from all areas used for aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance (including the maintenance conducted on the terminal apron and in dedicated hangers). Consider the following practices (or their equivalents): performing maintenance activities indoors; maintaining an organized inventory of material used in the maintenance areas; draining all parts of fluids prior to disposal; preventing the practice of hosing down the apron or hanger floor; using dry cleanup methods; and collecting the storm water runoff from the maintenance area and providing treatment or recycling.

6.S.5.3.2 *Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning Areas.* Clean equipment only in the areas identified in the SWPPP and site map and clearly demarcate these areas on the ground. Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize the contamination of storm water runoff from cleaning areas.

6.S.5.3.3 *Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Storage Areas.* Store all aircraft, ground vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance in designated areas only. Consider the following BMPs (or their equivalents): storing aircraft and ground vehicles indoors; using drip pans for the collection of fluid leaks; and perimeter drains, dikes or berms surrounding the storage areas.

6.S.5.3.4 *Material Storage Areas.* Maintain the vessels of stored materials (e.g., used oils, hydraulic fluids, spent solvents, and waste aircraft fuel) in good condition, to prevent or minimize contamination of storm water. Also plainly label the vessels (e.g., “used oil,” “Contaminated Jet A,” etc.). Describe and implement measures that prevent or minimize contamination of precipitation/runoff from these areas. Consider the following BMPs (or their equivalents): storing materials indoors; storing waste materials in a centralized location; and installing berms/dikes around storage areas.

6.S.5.3.5 *Airport Fuel System and Fueling Areas.* Describe and implement